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IN order to make this work complete in its kind, and avoid the many references from one number to another, it will be discontinued from this time in monthly numbers, and a volume containing a full list and account of the publications of each year, will be regularly printed in the month of *January*. We hope then to be able to afford it at a less price. The volumes of the years 1772, 1773, and 1774, may be had, and any single number at Six-pence each to complete sets.



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1. **S**TEEVEN's *edition of SHAKESPEARE.* Vide *article 1261, vol. ii.*

Enough in our opinion has been done to render this the best edition of Shakespeare's dramatic works, which hath yet been offered to the public. *Monthly Review.*

2. BURN's MISCELLANY SERMONS. Vide *article 1264, vol. ii.*

Besides the discourses collected from ancient authors, the editor has here given us five sermons of his own, on drunkenness, psalmody, God's knowledge, the folly of sin, and on restitution, which are sensible and clever. *Monthly Review.*

3. GRANT's OBSERVATIONS *on* FEVERS. Vide *article 1498, vol. i.*

Considered as a literary composition, this work abounds with repetitions and is chargeable with many imperfections, not only in regard to the author's arrangement of his materials, but his diction. Yet, as a medical production, we scruple not to affirm, that it contains more sound practice and more critical, discriminating knowledge of fevers, than is perhaps to be found in any other book on the subject, from Sydenham to the present time. *Monthly Review.*

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4. CRAWFORD'S DISSERTATION *on the PHÆDON of PLATO.*
Vide article 1167, vol. ii.

The design of this curious dissertation is to invalidate all the arguments that have been offered in support of the immortality of the soul; and in the execution of this purpose, we find a pompous display of learning and reading, but so little of any thing original or peculiar to this author, (except his licentious manner) or that wears the face of argument, that it hurts us to see even a bad cause so ill defended. With respect to his language or style, we think him entitled to few compliments. The young man is certainly possessed of some parts, more reading and a tolerable share of classical learning; but his judgment is borne away by the spring-tide of his vanity. As he is far from being deficient in natural understanding, the time may arrive, when he will be sufficiently grown in grace to become ashamed of this unadvised, illiberal and indecent performance.

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5. *The SCRIPTURE THEORY of the EARTH.* Vide article 854, vol. i.

Many attempts have been made to frame a just theory of the earth, equally reconcilable with the records of scripture and with the true principles of philosophy; but there is great reason to regret, as well in this as other works of the kind, that genius and invention have had too great a share in this business, and that the authentic evidence of history has been applied to, rather in support of a pre-conceived system, than as the ground of its formation. The author is a Dr. William Worthington.

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6. ADAM'S ARCHITECTURE, *No. I.* Vide article 1090, vol. i.

Elegance and splendor unite to characterise this specimen of a design that will derive honour to the name of Adam. And we have to thank these gentlemen for the gratification afforded us by their prefatory discourse, the notes to which abound with such explanations of some peculiar terms of the art to which it relates, as must prove both entertaining and instructive to the reader.

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7. PHILLIS WHEATLEY'S POEMS. Vide articles 1039, 1096, vol. ii.

The poems written by this young negro bear no endemial marks of solar fire or spirit. They are merely imitative. However she has penned many good lines, and now and then one of superior character.

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8. FERGUSON'

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8. FERGUSON'S MECHANICAL EXERCISES. Vide article 855, vol. ii.

Every publication of this ingenious and industrious author is acceptable to the public. There is always something *new*, either in the matter or manner of his writings. The set of tables for dividing the lines on scales and sectors, here given, is new. We have also improvements on discoveries already made in mechanics and astronomy and miscellaneous subjects; and he has added many valuable papers, communications from his ingenious friends or extracts from their publications. The whole introduced with a short account of his life. He receives 50l a year from the king's privy purse. *Monthly Review.*

9. AIKIN'S MISCELLANIES. Vide article 1166, vol. ii.

We have read these miscellaneous pieces with great pleasure. They bear the marks of considerable talents, and even of learning; and they are, for the most part, written with uncommon taste and elegance. *Monthly Review.*

10. SCOT'S DIGEST of the HIGHWAY ACT. Vide article 1291, vol. ii.

The several duties and obligations enjoined by the late statute for preserving the highways, are here classed under distinct chapters, divided into sections; which comprehend the precepts under each head respectively: and as a conclusion, Mr. Scot has made some very pertinent remarks on particular clauses. New editions of all our acts, reduced to this familiar method, with judicious comments, would prove more intelligible, than in the parliamentary form, and free them from much of their *glorious uncertainty*. *Monthly Review.*

11. SMOLLET'S INDEPENDENCE. Vide article 1213, vol. ii.

This ode glows with that enthusiasm which it might be imagined, the subject never fails to kindle. *Monthly Review.*

12. An EPISTLE from OBEREA to BANKS. Vide article 1307, vol. ii.

The language and manners of Otaheite conveyed to us in Ovidian strains, make an appearance equally pleasant and grotesque. In short, this *Jeu d'esprit* is ingenious and entertaining; and the notes are both classical and comic.

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A satirical attack on Mr. Banks. The author neither wants learning nor genius, but his performance seems calculated merely for the meridian of a coffee house, where it possibly may afford some merriment for the morning; but must die and be forgotten before night.

London Magaz.

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13. *The ISRAELITES on MOUNT HOREB.* Vide article 1043, vol. ii.

Better in the French, than the English; however, as it is printed for the benefit of one in distress, *the worse the bargain, the better the purchase.* *Monthly Review.*

14. SIMPLICITY. Vide articles 1110, 1170, vol. ii.

This author tells us he is ridiculing simplicity in poetry, but he means *fillinefs* all the while, and does not know it; so that he has pestered the public with 35 pages of silly verses to expose what every man of taste must reject with contempt.

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15. SUICIDE, *A Poem.* Vide article 1206, vol. ii.

Bad reasoning and worse poetry.

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16. DISCORD, *a satire.* Vide article 1303, vol. ii.

Describes the horrors of national discord and faction. The numbers are sometimes harsh, but perhaps they will, by some critics, be deemed so much the more suitable to the subject.

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This poem may be called, The author's last words, for at the conclusion he makes his exit from the world. How, at the approach of that period, he could think of amusing us with poetry, we cannot readily conceive; but it is certain, that his satire betrays the feebleness which may be supposed natural to such a situation.

Critical Review.

17. FELLOWS'S HYMNS. Vide article 1203, vol. ii.

Wretched.

Monthly Review.

18. *A SCOURGE for FALSE PATRIOTS.* Vide article 1304, vol. ii.

If Mr. Wilkes's enemies could procure an act of *Common Council* to oblige him, as an expiation of his sins, to read this languid, dull, and tedious abuse of himself and his friends, he would think it worse than ministerial persecution, and would be apt to cry out, with Cain, "*my punishment is greater than I can bear!*"

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19. *An ENQUIRY into the PRACTICE of IMPRISONMENT for DEBT &c.* Vide article 1195, vol. ii.

Unanswerable.

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20. *The STATUTES at large, from the tenth year of the reign of king George the third to the thirteenth of Geo. III. inclusive. To which is prefixed, a table of the titles to all the public and private statutes*

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statutes during that time. With a copious index. Vol. XI. 4to.
1l. 1s. King's Printers.

A continuation of Ruffhead's edition. *Monthly Review.*

21. PAUL'S PARISH OFFICER'S *complete GUIDE.* Vide article 1187, vol. ii.

The duties of parish officers are described in this pamphlet, in an easy familiar manner, but not so clearly digested as they are in *Burn's Justice*; to which, however, this compilation appears to be much indebted. The office of surveyor of the highway is particularly enlarged on, but the duty of parish officers respecting bastard children born in hospitals, by the act of 13. Geo. III. c. 82. is totally overlooked. *Monthly Review.*

22. HADLEIGH GROVE. Vide articles 1130, 1274, vol. ii.

If the reader has patience enough to peruse these very slender volumes, he will find a crude jumble of improbabilities, too hastily huddled together to afford him the satisfaction which results from the being well beguiled into a temporary belief of of the adventures related. *Monthly Review.*

23. *An ESSAY on the QUALIFICATIONS and DUTIES of an ARCHITECT.* Vide article 1293, vol. ii.

This essay may be perused with advantage, by young artists, who are setting out in life, either as an architect or surveyor. *Monthly Review.*

24. WESTON'S GARDENER'S CALENDAR. Vide article, 956, vol. ii.

The fair result of the author's actual experience, who is a curious observing man. The present work is chiefly confined to the common useful and entertaining parts of gardening and the cultivation of a small piece of ground; without burthening those readers with the troublesome care of a green-house and stove, who have neither green-house or stove on their premises. Whatever can be wanted, with respect to the management of the kitchen, fruit, or flower-garden, the orchard, shrubbery, nursery, or seminary, is here treated in a plain and easy manner. *Monthly Review.*

25. ELLIS'S ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS on the METHOD of PRESERVING SEEDS. Vide article 961, vol. ii.

Equally valuable with the first part. *Monthly Review.*

26. *The PROTESTANT DISSENTER'S CATECHISM.* Vide article 1199, vol. ii.

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Though the author of this tract is a zealous dissenter, he has not departed from the line of moderation and candour. It is not his design to make converts from the national church, but to instruct the young and the unlearned among the dissenters. It is written with attention, precision and perspicuity, displays great knowledge of the subject and is well calculated to answer the purpose intended. The author is the Rev. Mr. Samuel Palmer of Hackney. *Monthly Review.*

27. *An ESSAY on the JUSTICE of GOD.* Vide article 1324, vol. ii.

Containing a very benevolent system. *Monthly Review.*

An Essay that will be read with pleasure; by every one, who is an advocate for the use of reason in all religious enquiries. *Critical Review.*

28. GILL'S SERMONS, &c. Vide article 966, vol. ii.

Dr. Gill was a learned and a pious man, and his name will be long revered. *Monthly Review.*

29. RAND'S MONEY TABLES. Vide article 1186, vol. ii.

The calculation of these tables has been attended with much unprofitable labour. Cases will very rarely, if ever, occur, in which any, besides four or five of them can be applied to real use. *Monthly Review.*

30. INSTITUTES of ARITHMETIC, for the use of Schools and Academies. By ALEXANDER EWING, teacher of mathematics in Edinburgh. 12mo. 2s. Cadell.

All the principal rules of arithmetic are here comprised in a small compass; explained with judgment, and applied to a sufficient variety of examples for the instruction of the learner; so that this book of institutes may be an acceptable companion to those that are employed in this department of education.

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31. VYSE'S KEY to the TUTOR'S GUIDE, Vide article 1194, vol. ii.

A very proper and useful companion to the *Tutor's Guide.*

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32. A GEOMETRICAL TREATISE of the CONIC SECTIONS, &c. By HUGH HAMILTON, A. M. Fellow of Trinity College, Dublin, and of the Royal Society, London. Translated from the Latin original, into English. 4to. 12s. Nourse.

The merit of this work has been long and generally acknowledged: and an English edition will be acceptable to many.

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The translation seems to have been executed with judgment and accuracy. *Monthly Review.*

33. ROLT's HISTORY of the ISLE of MAN. Vide articles 835, 1092, vol. ii.

Too dull to afford much entertainment, and can be interesting only to the inhabitants of the island.

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34. GRANNY's PREDICTION revealed to the WIDOW BRADY. Vide article 1123, vol. ii.

A strange kind of motley invective; some parts of it seem intended to move the reader's compassion; while others appear to aim rather at exciting his risibility, by an affectation of pleasantry and farcaſtic humour.—On the whole, we frankly acknowledge that we know not what to make of this publication, poſſibly the mind of the unhappy writer has been ſomewhat deranged by diſtreſs and ill treatment, real or imaginary, and if ſo, ſhe is every way entitled to pity.

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35. An APOLOGY for the CONDUCT of Mr. MACKLIN. Vide article 1300, vol. ii.

The rubbish of the news papers carted off.

Monthly Review.

36. JONES, on SKITTLE-PLAYING. Vide articles 958, 1109, vol. ii.

Bumper Squire Jones is, in our opinion, greatly to be preferred to A. Jones Esq.

Monthly Review.

37. PROCEEDINGS at large between FAERIGAS and MOSTYN. Vide articles 1185, 1232, vol. ii.

Neither *Monthly* nor *Critical Review* paſſes any opinion on this article.

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38. HATTON's ESSAY on GOLD COIN. Vide article 1135, vol. ii.

The *Monthly Review*, gives no character of this tract.

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There are ſuch miſtakes and inaccuracies in this performance, as to render it too imperfect for public utility.

Critical Review.

39. ALFRED a masque. Vide article 1133, vol. ii.

40. ENGLISH PREACHER. Vols. III and IV. Vide article 1132, vol. ii.

The *Monthly Review* paſſes no opinion on the above.

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41. LAUGHTON'S

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41. LAUGHTON'S SERMON. Vide *article 1313, vol. ii.*
42. HILL'S SERMON. Vide *article 1311, vol. ii.*
43. BISHOP of CHESTER'S SERMON. Vide *article 1314, vol. ii.*
44. EVANS'S FUNERAL SERMON. Vide *article 1210, vol. ii.*
The Monthly Review is quite silent on the above.
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45. KENRICK'S DUELLIST. Vide *article 1229, vol. ii.*
46. GAY'S ACHILLES. Vide *article 1319, vol. ii.*
47. *The* BRITISH SPOUTER, Vide *articles 1125, 1259, vol. ii.*
The Critical Review gives no character of either of the above articles.
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48. LYE'S SAXON DICTIONARY, by MANNING. Vide *article 1397, vol. i.*
■ The Gothic language makes a great part of this valuable work, and as the Saxon is immediately derived from the Gothic, and is the basis of the English and Scotch languages, a knowledge of it cannot fail of being attended with various advantages to men of letters. Mr. Manning, to whom the work was left in charge by Mr. Lye, on his death bed, to complete, has improved and finished the whole on a more extensive plan: and in order to make it more useful, he has prefixed a grammar of the Anglo-Saxon and Moeso-Gothic languages.
Critical Review.
49. THICKNESSE, *on the* ART of DECYPHERING. Vide *article 1115, vol. i; 385, vol. ii.*
 There is a palpable absurdity in the very idea of communicating to the world a treatise on the art of decyphering; for in proportion as the art is well understood, the practice of secret writing will be naturally disused.
Critical Review.
50. WILLIAMS'S ADVICE to GOUTY PERSONS. Vide *article 1296, vol. ii.*
 According to Dr. Williams's hypothesis, the original cause of the gout exists in a relaxation of the solids, and not in a previous disposition of the fluids. With respect to his method of cure, we must make this remark, that throughout the whole treatise, not a single case is related, in which it has proved successful. However, his theory is rational, and his pamphlet is entitled to particular attention.
Critical Review.

51. RUTTY'S

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51. RUTTY'S ESSAY *towards a NATURAL HISTORY of the COUNTY of DUBLIN.* Vide article 1308, vol. ii.

The extensive plan upon which this work is conducted, renders it useful, not only with respect to the information it contains relative to natural history, but also as it tends to the improvement of the æconomical arts. *Critical Review.*

52. GOOCH'S MEDICAL and CHIRURGICAL OBSERVATIONS. Vide article 1299, vol. ii.

The author of these observations has long been distinguished for experience and assiduity in the improvement of his profession: and his present observations are no less entitled to public regard than his former publications. *Critical Review.*

53. JULIET GRENVILLE, or the history of the human heart. By Mr. BROOKE. 3 vols. 12mo. 9s. bound. Robinson.

By every sensible and humane reader, this work will unquestionably be held in high estimation. Mr. Brooke's reputation as a writer, is too well established to need the pen of a panegyrist; however, we must confess the entertainment these volumes afforded us in the perusal was infinite. The author has much of nature in him and has a happy method of touching the passions occasionally. The piece is carried on mostly by way of episode, which the writer is exceedingly clever in the introducing. Some of them indeed border on the romantic, to support the spirit of the subject, but they are as near nature as possible. The title is taken from the heroine of the piece and from the many interesting scenes of sensibility with which it abounds. The plot cannot fail of claiming the reader's attention, it turning on the idle custom of putting children out to nurse, where it was the lot of the principal characters to be exchanged.

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The work of a masterly hand, guided by a regular and lively fancy, combined with just reflection and accomplished in the art of elegant composition. If we rank it high in the scale of literary merit, we do no more than justice to the author. As it is impossible to give such a general account of the subject of these volumes, as will both gratify the curiosity of our readers, and convey an adequate idea of the work, we must refer them to the history. Its principal merit consists in the strong and lively description, with which it presents us, of the emotions of the heart; and in this entertaining and instructive field of representation, it may be admitted to vie with the most masterly productions of the kind. *Critical Review.*

These volumes are distinguished by the same vein of enthusiasm and extravagance which runs through the author's *Fool of Quality.*

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Quality. The incidents frequently border too much upon the marvellous,—the characters in general, are such as never did, nor can exist in life,—the episodes are interesting and entertaining, but occur too rapidly,—the disquisitions, or digressions are manly and sensible, but are rendered tedious and disgusting, by the continual introduction of certain religious notions, by which the author's imagination appears to be strongly warmed, and which, as they are seldom, if ever, adopted by, so they cannot be agreeable to moderate, rational readers. *Westminst. Magaz.*

In this novel-writing age, when so many pernicious as well as trifling productions engage the attention of unwary minds, it is happy that some great genius will now and then interpose, and animated by the love of virtue, condescend to adopt the same vehicle, for the communication of the most important knowledge and the most refined entertainment. Among the few writers of this elevated class, Mr. Brooke has a principal claim to the applause and encouragement of the public.

Gents. Magazine.

54. HERRIES, *on the* ELEMENTS of SPEECH. Vide articles 613, 1140, vol. ii.

The *Critical Review* commends the design of this writer, but ridicules his work. *Universal Catal.*

55. *The* GREAT ADVANTAGE of EATING PURE BREAD. Vide articles 1120, 1256, vol. ii.

A very andid and sensible account of the principles of the act passed for establishing a standard for wheaten bread.

Critical Review.

56. MISCELLANEOUS and FUGITIVE PIECES. 2 vols. Crown 8vo. 735 pages and 4 of contents. 7s. sewed. Davies.

These pieces have appeared in print before. Many of them were written by Johnson, Franklin, Thornton, Lloyd, Coleman and others. The contents are as follow ;

Vol. I.

Review of *enquiry into the origin of evil.*

Political state of Great Britain.

Review of *Letters from Sir Isaac Newton to Dr. Bentley.*

Preface to *the Preceptor.*

Vision of Theodore.

Memoirs of the King of Prussia.

Lives of Barettier, Dr. Sydenham, Sir Francis Drake, Roger Ascham, Sir Tho. Browne, Peter Burman and Edward Cave.

Dissertation on the Greek comedy, from Brumoy.

General conclusion of Brumoy's Greek Theatre.

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Origin and importance of small tracts and fugitive pieces.

Plan of an English Dictionary, 1748.

Preface to the folio edition of *Johnson's Dictionary*.

Proposals for printing *Shakespeare's works*.

Preface to Shakespeare, 1765.

Preliminary discourse to the *London Chronicle*.

Introduction to proceedings of the committee to manage contributions for cloathing French prisoners.

Thoughts on Agriculture, ancient and modern.

Introduction to the *world displayed*.

Dissertation on Pope's epitaphs.

Life of Boerhaave.

Character of Mr. Will. Colins.

Letter to a Bishop on lectures, by J. F.

Critical reflections on the old English dramatic writers, by the author of *the jealous wife*.

Prologue spoken by Mr. Garrick at the opening of the theatre 1747.

Ditto to Irene. Ditto spoken by Garrick at the representation of *Comus* for Mrs. Foster's benefit. Ditto to *the good natured man*.

London, a poem.

Vanity of human wishes, tenth satire of Juvenal.

The battle of the wigs, by Thornton.

Shakespeare a poem, by R. Lloyd.

Ode to genius, by ditto.

Translation a poem, by Dr. Franklin.

A third volume is in the press.

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The tracts contained in these two volumes, being interesting and ingenious, have formerly obtained the warmest approbation of criticism; and we can be justified in affirming them to be chiefly the work of one of the greatest geniuses of the age, the others are written by authors of distinguished reputation in the republic of letters.

Critical Review.

57. *The FAIR QUAKER*, altered. Vide articles 1202, 1225, vol. ii.

An alteration for the better.

Critical Review.

58. *LAYARD'S CHARITY*. Vide article 1306, vol. ii.

By no means destitute of merit.

Critical Review.

59. *GAY'S MISCELLANIES*. Vols. III. and IV. Vide articles 342, 1216, vol. ii.

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A collection of literary offals, which, from respect to the memory of Gay, ought to have been buried in oblivion.

Critical Review.

60. *The ASYLUM.* Vide articles 1191, 1251, vol. ii.

While genius continues to be an indispensable requisite in the votaries of the muses, this bard will find no *asylum* in Parnassus.

Critical Review.

61. *PALLADIUS and IRENE.* Vide article 1295, vol. ii.

In this little drama, we meet with a few passages which amuse the imagination, but none that are calculated to affect the heart. The plot is perfectly delineated, and effects are produced without the apparent intervention of natural causes.

Critical Review.

62. *The SONGS, CHORUSES, &c. in a new dramatic entertainment, called a CHRISTMAS TALE.* In five parts, as it is performed at the Theatre-Royal in Drury-Lane. 8vo. 6d. Becket.

Printed for the use of the theatre : the whole piece complete is now published.

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In these songs and chorusses we observe greater propriety of sentiment and expression than is usual in productions of this kind, and the airs, which are thirty in number, afford an agreeable diversity of elegant musical compositions.

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63. *'T WAS RIGHT to MARRY HIM.* Vide article 1333, vol. ii.

By the author of *'T was wrong to marry him* and equally interesting to unmarried females, for whose instruction it is calculated.

Critical Review.

64. *The ASSIGNATION.* Vide article 1332, vol. ii.

These volumes are written in a pretty easy manner, and are, upon the whole, not destitute of entertainment.

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65. *MEMOIRS of a GENTLEMAN, who resided several years in the East Indies, &c.* Vide article 1305, vol. ii.

As pitiful, miserable a romance, as we remember to have read ; with false English in the first page.

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66. *LEAKE'S LECTURE on MIDWIFERY.* Vide article 1334, vol. ii.

Dr. Leake appears from this lecture to have considered his subject with great attention, in every light in which it could be viewed

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viewed, and has been at particular pains to vindicate the art of midwifery from the imputation of meanness. *Critical Review.*

67. WORTHINGTON, *on the LIVERPOOL SPA.* Vide *articles* 945, 1249, *vol. ii.*

This author writes with such an air of importance, as if he was investigating the waters of Aganippe, while the subject of enquiry is only the nature of a plain chalybeate.

Critical Review.

68. *A FRAGMENT of a LETTER to an ORTHODOX CLERGYMAN, &c.* Vide *article* 1312, *vol. ii.*

This writer, who is, probably, a tradesman, very ingenuously, and we believe very properly styles himself—an *unlettered christian.*

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69. *A LETTER to the Rev. Mr. BOWMAN; &c.* Vide *article* 1310. *vol. ii.*

This layman seems to be the unlettered christian, mentioned in the foregoing article, or a craftsman of the like occupation.

Critical Review.

70. SCOTT'S O TEMPORA! O MORES! Vide *article* 1327, *vol. ii.*

A warm invective against the general depravity of the nation. Mr. Scott's observations may be just; but they are thrown out in a crude and promiscuous manner and with too much heat and acrimony. The author scourges his delinquents with firebrands and scorpions; not considering, that a christian preacher ought to preserve an air of sober majesty in the pulpit.

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Nothing should proceed from the pulpit, but what is conformable to the sacred writings; which every where furnish us with lessons of universal charity and benevolence.—*O Tempora! O Mores!*

London Magaz.

71. THOUGHTS *on the* PRESENT DISTRESSES *of* GREAT-BRITAIN. Vide *article* 1247, *vol. ii.*

A spirited and declamatory, but somewhat methodistical expostulation with those persons of rank and fortune, who have it in their power to alleviate the distresses felt by the poor, from the exorbitant price of provisions.

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72. CURSORY REFLECTIONS *on the* SINGLE COMBAT. Vide *article* 1336, *vol. ii.*

Whoever attentively peruses these reflections on duelling, must

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must be, at least, convinced of the folly of this Gothic species of combat. *Critical Review.*

73. ADAMS'S YOUNG SEA-OFFICER'S ASSISTANT. Vide article 1240, vol. ii.

Written in the catechetical form of question and answer, and comprehending much information on marine subjects. *Critical Review.*

74. YEATS'S INSTITUTIONS of ENTOMOLOGY. Vide article 1230, vol. ii.

As far as verbal description (for here are no plates) can convey a clear idea of insects, this work cannot fail of proving acceptable and advantageous to the lovers of natural history. *Critical Review.*

75. FERGUSSON'S HINDOSTAN DICTIONARY. Vide articles 349, 1238, vol. ii.

Though not the most perfect, this dictionary must be useful to such as require a competent knowledge of the Hindostan language. *Critical Review.*

76. CHESTERFIELD'S WITTICISMS. Vide articles 1134, 1255, vol. ii.

An attempt to impose upon the credulous.

Critical Review.

77. A SHORT TRIP to and from PARIS. Vide articles 1190, 1236, vol. ii.

Intended as a directory, and, though not compiled in the best manner, may be of advantage in that view.

Critical Review.

78. A TREATISE on the LAWS concerning the ELECTION of the different REPRESENTATIVES sent from SCOTLAND to the PARLIAMENT of GREAT BRITAIN. With a preliminary view of the constitution of the parliaments of England and Scotland, before the union of the two Kingdoms; by ALEXANDER WIGHT, Esq, advocate. 8vo. 5s. 3d. Printed at Edinburgh. Balfour, Edinburgh.

This performance affords much solid instruction, concerning the election of the Scottish Representatives. A variety of disputed cases are canvassed with ability; and the subject of freehold qualifications is certainly placed in a clear point of view. If the author's method and arrangement had been more philosophical and systematic, his publication might have ranked with the more valuable productions of the Scots law. But he has

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not aimed at uniting science with utility. The last he attains in an eminent degree. He has not mounted, however, from particular details to general positions. The information he communicates is important, but the form it assumes is not sufficiently artful. We meet every where the practical lawyer, but find not that generalizing and speculative spirit which gives to books their greatest charm and value. *Edinburgh Magaz.*

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Mr. Boyer points out the method of finding the two meridians from the beginning of Aries, by the help of a table, containing the distance of the first meridian from the beginning of Aries to every ten minutes of the moon's distance from the beginning of Aries, and also of an instrument made in the nature of a mariner's compass, with a sight index fixed thereto, and instead of having the points of the compass marked on the card, let the card be divided into degrees and minutes: with such an instrument, the mariner may find the distance of the azimuth of the moon, or a star from the magnetic north or south point of the horizon. Now, says he, when the two meridians by these helps are ascertained, the longitude, being an arch of the equator between the first meridian, and the meridian at sea, if the true distance of the meridian at sea from the beginning of Aries can be ascertained, and also the true distance

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of the first meridian, from the same point; then subtracting the lesser distance from the greater, will give the true longitude.

113. *A PRACTICAL DISCOURSE on the moral uses and obligations of BAPTISM; designed to assist a serious and judicious obedience to it. Small 12mo. 84 pages and 2 of preface, pasted in blue paper. 6d. or 5s. the dozen. Johnson.*

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114. *HENRY the SECOND, or the fall of Rosamond, a new tragedy, as it is now acting at the Theatre-Royal at Covent-Garden. By THOMAS HULL. 8vo. 76 pages, with 6 of preface and dedication, 1s. 6d. J. Bell.*

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A neat edition. Dr. Eachard wrote in the middle of the last century. His works are too well known to need any comment, and of sufficient value to need any apology for re-printing them.

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116. *The FASHIONABLE DAUGHTER, being a narrative of true and recent facts. By an impartial hand. In four parts.* 8vo. 318 pages, with 10 of advertisement. 3s. bound. Domville.

Destitute of every kind of merit. Void of sentiment, language and indeed every thing that could recommend it to the readers attention. We cannot help thinking that such publications as these are in some measure disreputable to a country, where letters have met with great encouragement. The facts, the author speaks of, are no other than an uninteresting intrigue between a Mefs John of the Scotch kirk and a young woman, who tired of the amour, deserted him, which so offended the poor parson and his *learned* friend, the author of this *celebrated* work, that truly they have taken it into their heads to expose every secret of this silly affair; matters that would have been held sacred, had they been in the hands of men of honour.

117. *BELL'S EDITION of SHAKESPEARE'S ACTING PLAYS, as they are now performed at the Theatres Royal in London, regulated from the prompt books of each house, by permission of the managers, with notes critical and illustrative, by the authors of the Dramatic Censor, in 5 vols. 12mo. price 15s. sewed. Royal paper, 1l. 1s. bound. Bell.*

The editors of this work, pretend not to amuse their readers with any learned investigation of the author's merits; or to puzzle them with any conjectural ideas of their own; they leave that, to the quibbles of sublimer pens, and content themselves with giving really an useful and instructive edition, compacted for the use of the theatre, and judiciously executing their original design, a plan of which is prefixed to the first volume of this work, as follows;

“ Having been long convinced that multiplying conjectural
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 “ an explanation of technical and obsolete terms; pointed
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 “ much, as to anticipate the reader's conception and investigation;
 “ we have shewn, with a becoming impartiality, what
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Darius Nothus king of Persia. The author has added a variety of notes, some of which are ingenious and valuable.

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120. SHARP, *on the DISTINCTION between MAN-SLAUGHTER and MURDER.* Vide article 1209, vol. ii.

It is difficult to dissent from this writer's conclusion, that the survivor in a duel is guilty of murder. In establishing this point he has shewn much reading and has detected several inconsistencies in the writings of our most famous lawyers respecting murder and manslaughter. Like other sanguine men, however, he extends his argument to an absurd length, for he cannot with propriety justify a military man's fighting, further than that of any other person.

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121. CURSORY REFLECTIONS *on the SINGLE COMBAT.* Vide articles 1336, vol. ii. and 72.

Sensibly written.

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The writer of this pamphlet appears to have taken up his pen from motives of benevolence and humanity, and to have considered his subject carefully. He combats that giant, custom, with the weapons of justice, prudence and humanity; and after forcing us to perceive the power of his arguments, by appealing to the tender and private feelings of every gentleman, whether parent, husband or friend, he concludes with proposing a remedy for the evil he complains of.

London Magaz.

122. BROOKE'S JULIET GRENVILLE. Vide article 53.

Mr. Brooke's heroes and heroines are still saints or angels upon earth, too exalted for mortals to emulate, and too old-fashioned for this age of gaiety; yet, in this performance there is less of that enthusiastic rapture and that visionary jargon of fanaticism, than in his *Fool of Quality*; so that with all its imperfections, its super-human characters, its forced situations, its unnatural expedients, its improbable circumstances, and the frequent monkish and sometimes childish strain in which the speakers, of all ages, deliver themselves, *Juliet Grenville* is, indubitably, a work of genius, and of uncommon merits in various respects.

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123. *The SCHOOL for WIVES, a comedy; as it is performed at the Theatre-royal in Drury-lane.* 8vo. with an etched frontispiece. 1s. 6d. Becket.

This is a comedy of merit, but if the author (who is said to be a captain Addington) wishes it to be read with pleasure by persons of judgment and taste, we would advise him in future editions to let the preface be forgotten. The general moral

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is, in itself excellent, peculiarly seasonable and turns upon conjugal fidelity. The author has also happily exposed the folly and absurdity of duelling. The play, indeed, would not bear a comparison with some of our comedies in point of wit; or with others for meer language and moral sentiments, but the author has, in a great degree, succeeded in compromising the difference between the two parties who now divide the theatre. He has more business, spirit and intrigue than many of our sentimental writers; he is not inelegant in his style; and he has more decency, instruction and morality than is to be found in our modern witty performances, without being in the least heavy or unentertaining in his manner. *Monthly Review.*

There is too much business in this piece for the time, it consisting of three different stories, each of which would have made a comedy of itself. This has occasioned little or nothing for three or four of the characters to say, and were they left totally out, the piece, so far from being made worse by it, would be absolutely the better. *Universal Catal.*

This entertaining comedy which partakes both of the sentimental and farcical kind, is an original production. The humour consists chiefly in the reputed national characteristic of an Irishman, and in the professional dialogue of a general officer, whose mistake in imagining himself, instead of his son, to be the object of a young lady's affections, affords also agreeable entertainment. But the principal scope of this piece is to represent the powerful influence which the mild and prudent behaviour of a wife has in reforming a profligate husband. *Critical Review.*

124. FORDYCE on FEVERS. Vide article 552. vol. ii.

Notwithstanding this is called a *new* enquiry; we find, after an attentive perusal of the work, that it contains more of the parade of science, than any *new* matter of information, either with respect to the nature or the cure of fevers. The appendix treats of the hectic fever and the ulcerated, malignant sore throat. In the first of these, Dr. Fordyce judiciously recommends repeated small bleedings, a strict antiphlogistic diet and change of air. In the management of the sore throat, he condemns the use of aromatic cordials, plasters and anodyne astringents. *Monthly Review.*

125. BUTTER, on the KINKCOUGH. Vide articles 859, 1165, vol. ii.

The following are Dr. Butter's principal conclusions, with respect to the nature, seat, and occasional cause of the kink-cough.—That it is an epidemic contagious disease of the spasmodic kind; that the primary affection is a morbid irritability of

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of the mucous glands, that it is not seated either in the lungs, the top of the gullet, or stomach, but in the intestinal canal; and that an infectious miasma is the occasional cause. But the most valuable part of the publication is the method of cure, provided further experience confirms the author's observations.

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126. WARNER, *on the EYE.* Vide articles 588, 714, vol. ii.

The description of the eye, we apprehend, is drawn up in such a manner as to fulfil the author's intentions, which is for the information of young surgeons; the anatomical parts, and the descriptions of the diseases are clear and concise; and the means of relief well adapted to the respective complaints.

127. *The APOLOGY of THEOPHILUS LINDSEY, M. A. on resigning the vicarage of Catterick, Yorkshire.* 8vo. 236 pages, with 6 of preface and content. 3s. sewed. Johnson.

This apology is divided into six chapters. The first contains some strictures on the origin of the doctrine of the Trinity, and the opposition it met with to the time of the reformation. In the second, the state of the unitarian doctrine, in our country more especially, from the æra of the reformation, is particularly considered. The design of the third chapter is to prove that religious worship is to be offered to the Father only. The fourth recites the causes of the unhappy defection among christians from the simplicity of religious worship prescribed in the new testament. In the fifth is shewn how a union in God's worship may be attained; and the sixth gives a description of the writer's particular case and difficulties. Vide article 104.

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Mr. Lindsey's design in this apology is not merely to offer a vindication of his own theological sentiments, or his motives and conduct, with respect to the resignation of his ecclesiastical preferment; but to consider the grounds of that supreme adoration, which is commonly paid to Jesus Christ and the Holy-Spirit; to promote an alteration of our liturgy and a union among christians in the true worship of God.—In short this apology will be a lasting monument of the author's learning, modesty, piety and integrity.

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128. EVANSON'S THREE DISCOURSES. Vide article 1046, vol. ii.

Sensible and practical. The three sermons are followed by annotations on particular parts of them, which appear very sensible and judicious.

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129. *An ACCOUNT of the PROCEEDINGS at the INDIA-HOUSE.*
Vide article 1321, vol. ii.

Neither *Monthly* nor *Critical Review* passes any opinion upon this tract.
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130. JAY'S LETTER to the UNIVERSITIES. Vide article 99.

Sir James Jay seems to have been injured in his reputation, but as the story has been told before, we do not think he is likely to do himself any great service by this new publication.

Monthly Review.

In this letter, the author seems to have vindicated his conduct in a very satisfactory manner, and with a proper degree of spirit.
Critical Review.

131. A FAITHFUL ACCOUNT of a late AFFAIR of HONOUR between Messrs. TEMPLE and WHATELY. Vide article 84.

The compiler has robbed the gang. The news papers had it all before.
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132. A SHORT INQUIRY into the NATURE of the TITLES CONFERRED at PORTSMOUTH. Vide article 1320, vol. ii.

It admits of some doubt whether the Portsmouth's knights will acknowledge any great obligations to this writer, for his labours in searching old chronicles and musty records to depreciate the value of their titles.
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The *Critical Review* passes no opinion on this article.

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133. *The new POCKET DICTIONARY of the FRENCH and ENGLISH LANGUAGES.* Containing all words of general use, and authorised by the best writers. By THOMAS NUGENT, L. L. D. The second edition, greatly improved, with the addition of upwards of 13000 words, besides a very useful supplement, containing the names of the most remarkable empires, kingdoms, states, islands, provinces, cities, &c. &c. the names of antient and modern nations; together with the names of remarkable men, women, surnames of sovereigns, &c. both in French and English; which will prove of great use to those who read or translate history, geography, mythology, poetry, &c. and are not to be found in any other French and English dictionaries now extant. By J. S. CHERIER, teacher of the French language, geography, and the use of the globes. Small 4to. 3s. 6d. Dilly.

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134. HORNE'S ESSAYS on IRON and STEEL. Vide articles 241, 572, vol. ii.

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These essays, though not altogether unexceptionable as to the chemical philosophy, contain many useful remarks, and are worthy the perusal of every artist, who is engaged either in the manufacture of steel or steel instruments. *Monthly Review.*

135. SWINDEN'S HISTORY of YARMOUTH. Vide article 1094, vol. ii.

Of little importance any where but at Yarmouth.

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136. A COMPANION in a POST-CHAISE. Vide article 1294.

Such complements as this may be easily made by a country printer's devil, in leisure hours and holliday times ; and we have nothing to say against honest industry.

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137. The STRANGER'S ASSISTANT and GUIDE to BATH. Vide articles 1204, 1279, vol. ii.

These Bath directors are frequently re-published, and we believe, always with improvements. This is the last and we suppose the best, there being many useful particulars inserted, which we do not remember to have seen in former complements.

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138. MINUTES of the LORDS on the VALENTIA CLAIM. Vide article 1029, vol. ii.

Those who have had their curiosity excited by the many paragraphs in the news-papers, relating to this family contest, will find ample gratification in the perusal of these minutes.

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139. The NAUTICAL ALMANACK and ASTRONOMICAL EPHEMERIS: for the year 1775. Published by order of the commissioners of longitude. 8vo. 3s. 6d. Nourse.

This number contains only the usual tables, with their explication.

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140. CONSIDERATIONS on the IMPOSITION of FOUR and A HALF PERCENT, collected on GRENADA, &c. Vide article 1322, vol. ii.

Pertinent and spirited.

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141. LAYARD'S CHARITY. A Poem. Vide articles 1306, vol. ii ; and 58.

But indifferent.

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142. ORIGINAL POEMS, TRANSLATIONS, &c. from the FRENCH. Vide article 1302, vol. ii.

Scribere jussit amor seems to be this lady's motto. Almost every

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every piece in her book is sacred to the soft passion, and her collection will therefore be most acceptable to pining girls and unfledged boys. There is however a little piece addressed to *Monf. Helvetius*, on his treatise *De L'Esprit*, which shews the writer's good sense and may be regarded as a favourable specimen of what may be expected from her. *Monthly Review.*

143. *An EPISTLE from Mr. BANKS to OBEREA.* Vide article 1317, vol. ii.

A poetical fungus, sprung from the applauded epistle from *Oberea.* article 1307, vol. ii. *Monthly Review.*

Written somewhat in the manner of the epistle from *Oberea*, to which it seems to be intended as a reply. It is not inferior to the other production in the *bon ton* of *Otaheite*, but is far less remarkable for poetical merit. *Critical Review.*

144. *The VEGETABLE SYSTEM ; By Dr. HILL.* Royal folio. Vol. XXIII. 1l. 1s. 6d. Printed for the author, and sold by him in *St. James's street.* Baldwin.

The *Monthly Review* announces only the publication of this volume. *Universal Catal.*

145. *MEMOIRS of a GENTLEMAN who resided several years in the East Indies.* Vide articles 1305, vol. ii. and 65.

This gentleman, who is a German, is not qualified to write in English or perhaps in any other language, and he is too ignorant to relate any thing that merits reading. *Monthly Review.*

146. *The KINSMAN of MAHOMET.* Vide article 1330, vol. ii.

Adulteries, fornications, murders ; in a word, almost every species of debauchery and wickedness, are comprehended in these execrable adventures ; which for the honour of human nature, we hope are wholly fictitious. *Monthly Review.*

147. *A MIRROR for INOCULATORS : or an essay ; shewing, by way of introduction, how liable mankind in general are to deception. Which is afterwards more particularly applied to the case of inoculation ; and the practice proved to be contrary to nature, reason, and scripture ; to the liturgy of the church, and even to that prayer taught us, by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. By a friend to religion, as by law established.* 8vo. 6d. Crowder.

Wretched to the last degree. *Monthly Review.*

148. *VAN SWIETEN, on INOCULATION, translated.* Vide article 821, vol. ii.

A tolerably exact translation of *Van-Swieten's* commentary on

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On part of the hundred and forty third aphorism and some other of the aphorisms of Boerhaave, on the small pox.

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149. *A FLAGELLATION for a CERTAIN APOTHECARY.* Vide article 1040, vol. ii.

Spirited.

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150. *An EASY WAY to PROLONG LIFE.* Vide articles 449, 822, vol. ii.

The best parts of this publication are selected from Dr. Cullen's lectures on the *Materia Medica*, a valuable work.

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151. *A TREATISE on the PRINCIPAL DISEASES of the EYES ; containing a critical and candid examination of the antient and modern methods of cure, of the present defective modes of practice, with an account of new, mild, and successful methods for the cure of diseases of this organ.* By WILLIAM ROWLEY, surgeon. 8vo. 3s. sewed. Newbery.

A very considerable part of this treatise has already appeared in Mr. Rowley's *Essay on the Ophthalmia* (article 468, vol. i.) and we find little in the additions to this republication, which merit that it should be ushered into the world under its present more-promising title-page.

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152. *SAUNDERS'S OBSERVATIONS de ANTIMONIO.* Vide articles 1052, 1173, vol. ii.

In these observations, we have the natural, chemical, and medical history of antimony, delivered in a clear and concise manner.

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153. *A new Dramatic entertainment, called a CHRISTMAS TALE ; in five parts : as it is performed at the theatre in Drury-lane. Embellished with an etching by Mr. Louthembourg.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Becket.

Barely to peruse this Christmas masque, is not the way to be much prejudiced in favour of a work composed of the highest extravagancies of knight-errantry and necromancy ; with all their train of evil spirits, enchanted castles, and monsters ; but the music, scenery and dresses have combined to furnish out a very agreeable upper gallery exhibition.

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Compiled by Mr. Garrick. Vide article 62.

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154. *GAY'S ACHILLES, altered.* Vide articles 1319, vol. ii. and 46.

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As a *readable* entertainment, this piece has suffered greatly in the abridgment, by which it is now reduced from three acts to two.
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155. PALLADIUS and IRENE. Vide *article* 1295, *vol. ii.* and 61.

A singular, wild, irregular composition void of nature and probability, but not of poetry, or of moral purpose.

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156. JEBB'S CONTINUATION of ACADEMICAL PROCEEDINGS. Vide *article* 1212, *vol. ii.*

Carried on with proper observations and conclusions.

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No opinion passed on this article by the *Critical Review.*

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157. The HEIDELBERG CATECHISM. Vide *articles* 954, 1027, *vol. ii.*

This catechism is much of the same nature with other creeds and formularies that have been established; but it enlarges, more than some do, on those topics in respect to which the protestants differ from the papists.

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158. SCOTT'S, O TEMPORA! O MORES. Vide *articles* 1327 *vol. ii;* and 70.

A violent declamation against the vices of the age, which, according to the author, is so deplorably and desperately corrupt, as to leave very little hope of a reformation.

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159. MACGOWAN'S SOCINIANISM BROUGHT to the TEST. Vide *articles* 757, 1102, *vol. ii.*

Although Mr. Macgowan has advanced no new arguments in support of his doctrines, yet his manner of writing discovers a considerable degree of acuteness and ingenuity; with a vein of pleasantry which often serves, very innocently to render a controversy, even on the most serious subjects, in some measure, lively and entertaining.

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160. IVERY'S HERTFORDSHIRE MELODY. Vide *article* 1214, *vol. ii.*

A collection of pious tunes, many of them well known.

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161. A FRAGMENT of a LETTER to a CLERGYMAN. Vide *articles* 1312, *vol. ii;* and 68.

The author of this fragment appears to have possessed good natural parts, and to have offered in this letter a sensible plea for heterodoxy.

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162. RAWLINS'S SERMON *on the Power of Music*. Vide *articles* 1198, 1277, *vol. ii.*

A sermon on the same subject and from the same text, is to be found in *Atterbury's discourses*; but the powers of music on the human frame and its tendency to elevate our devotion, are displayed in a much more liberal, extensive and agreeable manner by the rector of Leigh, than by the bishop of Rochester.

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163. HAWKESWORTH'S ACCOUNT *of the South Sea Voyages*. Vide *articles* 740, 977, *vol. ii.*

Though the editor has omitted some remarks, which might have been introduced with great propriety, such as delivering an account of what preceding navigators had discovered, pointing out the bounds of our certain knowledge, distinguishing the doubtful intelligence and rejecting the spurious; though he has admitted some digressions, that were foreign to the subject, and though the work be not void of inaccuracies; yet, upon the whole, we must acknowledge, that the account of these voyages is highly interesting and will afford great entertainment to those readers who can be gratified with the description of newly-discovered countries, or with the delineation of human manners, among people wholly ignorant of refinement, and existing in the most uncultivated state of nature. The numerous plates with which this work is furnished, contribute greatly to its embellishment; but some of them are executed with such a degree of elegance, as rather evinces the abilities of the artists, than represents the subjects with fidelity. *Critical Review.*

164. DALRIMPLE'S LETTER *to HAWKESWORTH*. Vide *articles* 843, 1217, *vol. ii.*

The *Critical Review* gives only a short account of the contents of this pamphlet. *Universal Catal.*

165. LETTERS *by several EMINENT PERSONS deceased*. By DUNCOMBE. *Second edition*. 3 vols. 8vo. 9s. *sewed*. Vide *article* 1476, *vol. i.* 61, 140, *vol. ii.*

This second impression is enlarged by the following articles, viz. memoirs of the life and writings of John Hughes, Esq. 32 letters by several eminent persons deceased; moral reflections, miscellaneous observations and the preamble to the patent for creating Lord Chancellor Cooper, an Earl by Mr. Hughes; verses on Mr. Hughes; translation of *Abelard's letters*, by the Rev. Mr. Bunce; a prologue to *all for love*, acted at Blenheim-house in 1718, by Bishop Hoadley. Farther particulars of Mrs. Bridget Bendyshe, grand-daughter of Oliver Cromwell, by Dr. Brooke

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Brooke, and Mr. Luson ; ode *ad amicum navigaturum*, by Dr. Kirkpatrick, and many notes and observations on these pieces by the ingenious editor. All the additions to this second impression, now printed in three volumes, are collected and published in a separate volume, in justice to the purchasers of the first edition.

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166. EACHARD'S WORKS. Vide *article 115, vol. ii.*

These volumes have been generally admired for acuteness of reasoning, and a peculiar vein of rallery and humour.

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167. HATTON'S INTRODUCTION to CLOCK-WORK, &c. Vide *articles 608, 1233, vol. ii.*

This work will give ample satisfaction to the young, ingenious artist.

Critical Review.

168. CONSIDERATIONS on the THEORY of RELIGION. By EDMUND Lord BISHOP of CARLISLE, 8vo. 6s. White.

This valuable work is divided into three parts. In the first the author shews, that the want of universality in natural and revealed religion, is no just objection against either. In the second, he vindicates the scheme of divine Providence, with regard to the time and manner of the several dispensations of revealed religion, more especially the christian. In the third, he considers the progress of natural religion and science, or the continual improvement of the world in general. To this treatise are added two discourses : the former on the life and character of Christ ; the latter, on the benefit procured by his death, in regard to our mortality. This work has been published many years, and is in the highest estimation among the learned. The edition now presented to the public, is corrected, improved and enlarged.

Critical Review.

169. GRANT, on FEVERS. Vide *articles 1498, vol. i. and 3.*

We cannot say of this work that it is written in that polished style which renders a journey through the field of medical science an equally pleasing and useful avocation ; yet it contains such judicious observations in practice, as abundantly compensate for that defect, and ought to recommend it to the general attention of the faculty.

Critical Review.

170. FERGUSON'S MECHANICAL EXERCISES. Vide *articles 855, vol. ii and 8.*

This treatise contains, perhaps the most convincing testimony of the force of native genius, of any that ever come under our inspection ; accompanied with such an unaffected sincerity

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of temper, as adds greatly to the merit of the author. These mechanical exercises for an excellent addition to this author's preceding works. The benefit which has accrued to the sciences from all his ingenious writings makes us sincerely regret the intimation that this is probably the last book he will ever publish.

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171. JONES'S HISTORY of NADER SHAH. Vide article 1141, vol. ii.

The preface to this work is spirited and sensible. The history itself is not a striking performance. The only general information that will be gained from it, not common in other works, is the character of Nader, appearing so much superior to what it does in Mr. Hanway's and other memoirs.

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172. MORDECAI'S APOLOGY for EMBRACING CHRISTIANITY. Letters II. III. IV. Vide article 1326, vol. ii.

Learned.

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173. A LETTER from a FATHER to his DAUGHTER. Vide article 93.

The author of this letter appears to be a man of sense, and actuated by a truly parental affection. The publication contains moral advice, adapted to the capacities, the taste and circumstances of the rising generation and we recommend it, it being, we are convinced, the advice of a father and written from the heart.

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Valuable in its kind. The language is plain, natural and familiar, and the sentiments are such as convince us that the writer is equal to the undertaking.

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174. JULIA. A POETICAL ROMANCE. Vide article 1316, vol. ii.

There is a negligence in the versification of this piece; however it is a laudible effort to rescue romance-writing from the very abject state into which it is fallen.

Critical Review.

175. PRINGLE'S DISCOURSE on the DIFFERENT KINDS of AIR. Vide article 111.

Reflecting honour on the author.

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176. HULL'S HENRY the SECOND. Vide article 114.

Mr. Hull informs us that the fable and conduct of this piece was projected in 1761, by the late Mr. Shenstone, and it is finished in a manner, that, was he alive, he would approve. The intrigue is interesting without being intricate and the character

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acter of Rosamond is supported with a degree of magnimity which corresponds to the rank of a tragic heroine. In this tragedy the characters in general are consistently maintained, the edition, though plain, is not destitute of proper elevation, and the sentiments are chiefly such as recommend the practice of virtue.

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177. *An EPISTLE from OBEREA to BANKS.* Vide articles 1307, vol. ii; and 12.

The author of this epistle appears to have an uncommon fund of humour, and the production would not have disgraced the pen of Ovid.

Critical Review.

178. *CONSIDERATIONS on the PROPRIETY of REQUIRING a SUBSCRIPTION to ARTICLES of FAITH.* 8vo. 37 pages. 1s. Printed at Cambridge. Robson.

In this tract the learned author proposes some general observations concerning the rise and progress of a custom, which seems to place certain explications of supposed scripture-doctrines on the same foot as the scriptures themselves; he enquires how far this practice may be just and expedient, in the present times, or in itself defensible at any time; he examines the principles upon which it is founded, and the pleas which are offered in its support; and lastly points out some of its effects. On these topics he suggests a variety of important considerations and some observations which have not been made by any preceding writer. In short, the pamphlet exhibits a fair and impartial view of the controversy concerning subscriptions; and is ascribed by the public to a learned and amiable prelate.

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179. *A CLEAR DISPLAY of the TRINITY from Divine Revelation.* With an impartial examination of some traditions concerning God in systems contrived by councils, assemblies, and synods and imposed upon mankind as articles of Faith. In three parts. To which is added an address to enquiring christians. The whole written in an easy and familiar manner. By a Layman. 8vo. 361 pages with 9 of contents and table of texts, and 27 of addresses. Printed for the author. 4s. sewed. Robinson.

The author divides his work into three parts. In the first, he undertakes to prove, that there is but one God; that there is a plurality in God and that it is limited to three. In the second, he endeavour's to shew, that the names Father, Son, and Holy-Ghost, are descriptive of the three distinct parts they sustain in the divine economy. In the third, he points out the impropriety of some of the terms and phrases, which are commonly used in dissertations on the Trinity. We cannot recommend this performance to the learned reader.

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180. *LOOSE HINTS on NON-CONFORMITY.* Vide *article 109.*

Designed to shew that all the clergy of the church of England, have in various instances, here specified, publicly and confessedly violated the injunctions and directions contained in the rubrics and canons; and that it will therefore be in vain for the bishops to exert their vigilance, for the discovery and exemplary correction of heretical pravity. *Critical Review.*

181. *A PRACTICAL DISCOURSE on BAPTISM.* Vide *article 113.*

Pointing out the religious and moral uses of baptism, the benefits arising from it, and the necessity of conforming to our Saviour's injunctions in this article. The production of an anti-pædobaptist. *Critical Review.*

182. *The RATIONAL CHRISTIAN'S ASSISTANT to the worthy RECEIVING of the LORD'S SUPPER.* Vide *article 107.*

An abridgment of *Bishop Hoadley's plain account*, drawn up with tolerable accuracy, and intended for the use of common people. *Critical Review.*

183. *A CONCISE HISTORY of the PROPHETS, PROPHECIES &c. in the OLD TESTAMENT; and of the APOSTLES, EVANGELISTS and DISCIPLES of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, in the NEW TESTAMENT, 8vo. 1s. Cooke.*

This writer has given us a short account of 127 persons who are mentioned in the scriptures; but he discovers no degree of judgment in this compilation. He frequently retails absurd and apocryphal stories. *Critical Review.*

184. *CONSIDERATIONS on CERTAIN POLITICAL TRANSACTIONS of the PROVINCE of SOUTH-CAROLINA: containing a view of the colony legislatures (under the description of that of Carolina in particular) with observations, shewing their resemblance to the British model. 8vo. 83 pages. 1s. 6d. Cadell.*

The purport of this pamphlet is to prove that the conduct of the commons house of South-Carolina, in assuming to themselves the right of disposing of the public money of the province, without the concurrence of the other two branches of the legislature, is repugnant to the constitutional principles of the British colonies; and that his Majesty's instructions to the governor of the province on this subject, ought to be considered only as a legal act of sovereignty, intended merely to recal the commons house in Carolina to an observance of the constitutional principles of their government, from which they had departed. The transaction, which is the subject of these considerations, is an order passed in the commons house in South Carolina in December 1769, for granting the sum of 1500l. sterling to the society of the Bill of Rights in this metropolis. The author endeavours

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deavours to expose the absurdity of this transaction with a degree of pleasantry and discovers, through the whole, a cool and rational spirit of argument. *Critical Review.*

We cannot but consider these considerations as the production of some masterly writer, who is well acquainted with American affairs, and who seems in general, tho' rather prejudiced, to have treated his subject in a cool and considerate manner.

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185. SCOTT'S DIGEST of the HIGHWAY ACT. Vide articles 1291, vol. ii; and 10.

The surveyors and all others concerned in the amendment of the highways are under obligations to Mr. Scott, for reducing into more convenient order the directions given by the late act concerning the highways. To this digest, that gentleman has added, great many very pertinent remarks, in some of which he has pointed out inconsistencies which escaped the attention of the legislature. *Critical Review.*

186. *An ESSAY on the QUALIFICATIONS and DUTIES of an ARCHITECT.* Vide articles 1293, vol. ii. and 3.

This defence will not, we believe, be of much service in exculpating Mr. D——; and the hints for the young architect are such, as must occur to any man of common understanding, who has the least acquaintance with the world, and have only a kind of negative goodness, as they cannot easily mislead the reader. *Critical Review.*

187. *The PRACTICAL BUILDER; or Workman's General Assistant. Shewing the most approved and easy methods for drawing and working the whole, or separate parts of any building, &c. &c. &c. By WILLIAM PAIN, architect and joiner.* 4to. 12s. Taylor.

Mr. Pain has acquired so much credit from his two former publications on subjects of architecture, that our readers will probably, be beforehand with us in judging the present to be a work of merit. This work, from the apparent accuracy of the directions, must be of great use to builders; and, as it is neatly engraven on 83 quarto plates, very well filled, the purchaser will have no reason to complain of the expence. *Crit. Review.*

188. *The CARPENTER'S TREASURE: A collection of designs for temples, with their plans, gates, doors, rails, and bridges, in the gothic taste; with the centres at large, for striking Gothic curves and mouldings, and some specimens of rails in the Chinese taste; forming a complete system for rural decorations. Neatly engraved on 16 plates, from the original drawings of N. WALLIS, architect.* 8vo. 2s. 6d. Taylor.

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The title of this little piece sufficiently explains the contents; and, we shall only add, that the plates are very well executed. *Critical Review.*

189. MEDICO MASTIX; or *Physic Craft detected: a satirico-didactic poem.* 4to. 1s. Evans.

The characters which the author exposes in the satirical part of this poem, are such as deserve animadversion; but, with respect to some others among the faculty, he appears to be too profuse of panegyric. *Critical Review.*

190. *The JUVENILIAD.* Vide article 110.

The appearance of a good intention is the greatest merit we can discover in this poem. *Critical Review.*

190. AIRS and CHORUSES in the entertainment of the SYLPHS, or *Harlequin's Gambols, as performed at the Theatre-Royal, Covent-Garden. The music entirely new, composed by Mr. Fisher.* 8vo. 6d. Becket.

These airs, &c. contain at least an agreeable modulation, and variety of sound, which are perhaps the most essential requisites in a harlequin entertainment. *Critical Review.*

192. FATAL AFFECTION; or *the History of Henry and Caroline.* 2 vols. 12mo. 460 pages. 6s. bound. Noble.

This novel may be ranked among the flimsy productions of the present time, having nothing to recommend it to the reader's attention; the language is but indifferent, and it is rather barren in sentiment. Henry and Caroline are the hero and the heroine of the piece, and it is therefore called *their history*.

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Caroline appears in an amiable light, but Henry is a very contemptible and censurable character. The other personages of the piece are but indifferently drawn, and the situations into which they are thrown, are barely within the bounds of probability. *Critical Review.*

193. LA BELLE PHILOSOPHE, or *the Fair Philosopher.* 2 vols. 12mo. 488 pages. 6s. bound. Lowndes.

These volumes contain many characters, many situations, much business, and not a little bustle. This novel cannot be ranked among the drowsy productions of a similar kind, for the attention is sufficiently kept awake. The catastrophe is confessedly an imitation of *Clarissa*. *Critical Review.*

These volumes are of the epistolary kind, and contain many great names, such as the Hon. Miss Howard, Lord Ashford, the Right Hon. Lady Carleton, &c. Though we can by no means consider these letters as a first-rate performance, yet we see nothing

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thing in them of any dangerous tendency ; and, it is probable, the generality of the fair will peruse them with pleasure.

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194. *The FASHIONABLE DAUGHTER.* Vide article 116.

These volumes can only be interesting, we think, to those who are acquainted with the characters and the facts contained in it, and seems to be better calculated for the meridian of Edinburgh than of London.

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This single volume contains as much as we generally meet with in two of this kind. The subject is disappointed love, and the dart is levelled at an inconstant fair one, and an avaricious parent. The language is plain and familiar, the incidents natural, and the reflections thereon, though frequently dry and tedious, are in general sensible and judicious.

London Mag.

195. *The JOURNEY to LONDON ; or the History of the Selby family.* 2 vols. 12mo. 471 pages. 6s. bound. Noble.

These volumes leaning chiefly on the defective part of human nature, and being strained through the whole on that side, will afford but little pleasure to the reader. The greater part of the characters are remarkable for their attachment to vice ; the language is but indifferent, and the work barren of sentiment ; nor can we see any happy consequence that can arise from the perusal, unless it be that we are taught, by the distressful events here drawn, to avoid every improper imitation, especially that of those above us. Its title is taken from the old, but coarse saying of the grey mare of the Selby family being the better horse, and obliging her husband to consent to her and her family (he excepted) spending a winter in the metropolis, who all, in consequence of her obstinacy and ignorance, fell victims, in the course of that season, to very unhappy fates.

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The Selby family, Mr. Selby himself excepted, are all of the race of *Wrongheads* ; and are, by their ignorance of the world, of the town, at least, thrown into ruinous situations.

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196. *The PRESENT STATE of MUSIC in FRANCE and ITALY : or the Journal of a tour through those countries, undertaken to collect materials for a general history of Music.* By CHARLES BURNEY, Mus. D. The second edition corrected. 8vo. 401 pages, with 18 of introduction, index, &c. 6s. bound. Becket. Vide article 484, vol. ii.

In this new edition, we find several additions in different parts of the work which has extended it twelve or fourteen pages more than the first edition. The preface, for instance, speaking of electricity, and what has been said of M. Philidor, and the serious French opera, are enlarged ; something new is

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inserted, concerning the strolling musicians of Italy; also an additional circumstance concerning the duchess of Savoy; but the most considerable is to the article Verona, where the doctor has added two pages of new matter. *Critical Review.*

197. *A COMPLETE HISTORY of ENGLAND, by QUESTION and ANSWER, from the invasion of Julius Caesar to the present time. Extracted from the most celebrated English historians, particularly Rapin, Tindal, Hume and Smollet, and calculated for the instruction and entertainment of the youth of both sexes.* 12mo. 3s. Crowder.

An excellent abridgment of the English history.

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198. *An APPEAL to the PEOPLE called QUAKERS.* Vide article 899, vol. ii.

The *Critical Review* passes no opinion on this article.

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199. *A CRITICAL ENQUIRY into the CONSTITUTION of the ROMAN LEGION, with some observations on the military art of the Romans, compared with that of the moderns.* 4to. Printed at Edinburgh. Balfour, Edinburgh.

This performance is ingenious and learned. It throws new light on the subject it treats; and pleases by a rare purity of expression. The military art of the Romans was a path that proved deceitful to Lipsius and Salmasius. Our author had greater strength, deeper penetration and resources more abundant.

Edinburgh Magaz.

200. *An ESSAY on the MECHANICAL PRINCIPLES of the PLOUGH.* By WILLIAM BARRON, minister of *Whitburn*. 1s. Printed at Edinburgh. Balfour, Edinburgh.

This author fully understands his subject and has been at proper pains to explain it. Not only the farmer, but society in general is interested, in the use of this instrument, of course it should be constructed in the best manner and moved with the least force. To point out the means of obtaining these ends is the design of this essay. The attempt is new, and if the author be not altogether decisive, he has advanced a great way in establishing the theory. The style is as simple and perspicuous as the subject will admit; and as the reasonings are illustrated by a plate, we believe, with the author, that any reader, acquainted with the simplest principles of mechanics, will easily understand them.

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201. *The CIRCUIT of HUMAN LIFE: A Vision. In which are allegorically described the virtues and vices. Taken from the tablet*

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bleture of Cebes, a disciple of Socrates; for the instruction of youth. 18mo. 112 pages, with an engraved frontispiece. 1s. Carnan.

That celebrated little work of the Theban philosopher, which bears the title of *Cebetis Tabula* is well known to the learned. On the same plan we are here presented with *the circuit of human life*, in which the writer has pointed out the various difficulties and dangers that constantly haunt the paths, through which every youth must pass in his journey to the temple of happiness. Though we could wish the writer had not been so sparing of moral reflections, yet we shall not hesitate to pronounce this little volume a very proper present to young ladies and gentlemen.

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202. SCIENCE IMPROVED; or the *Theory of the Universe*. Comprehending a rational system of the most useful as well as entertaining parts of natural and experimental philosophy, embellished with copper plates, on a new invented moveable construction. Calculated to explain the occult properties of nature, with the various phenomena of the heavenly bodies, upon the true principles of reason and religion. Intended for the instruction and amusement of the British youth of both sexes. By THOMAS HARRINGTON. 4to. 174 pages, with 6 of contents and dedication to the Prince of Wales; 8 illustrative plates, of which 3 are moveable and 13 head and tail pieces. 7s. 6d. sewed. Printed for the author. Crowder.

It is hard to say for whom this work is calculated; being written to the capacities of youth and yet to understand it, it is necessary to have some knowledge of astronomy. Some matters are very well explained, and particularly so by the moveable plates, while others are left as much in the dark; to render it entertaining to youth, who may possibly think philosophical studies dry, the subjects are occasionally enlivened with moral reflections and passages from Milton, Young, &c. This volume treats only of the planets, of their respective orbits, motions and aspects, and that but imperfectly, but the author tells us a second volume is now in the press, as a supplement to this work, which will contain accurate descriptions of the planets and clear demonstrations that they are celestial worlds, wherein the length of their days, nights, months and years, their seasons moons, eclipses, and different degrees of heat and cold, &c. will be accurately ascertained, by the help of some late optical discoveries, and many other things that we are at present ignorant of.

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203. *The ANTIQUITIES of RICHBOROUGH and RECULVER. Abridged from the latin of Mr. ARCHDEACON BATTELY. Large 12mo. 144 pages, with 17 of introduction, contents, and a chart of the ancient situation of the places mentioned in the work. 3s. Johnson.*

Dr. Battely's *antiquitates Rutupinæ* were published in octavo, in 1711, by Dr. Isaac Terry, canon of Christ Church, Oxford: the original is elegant but prolix, an abridged translation of it therefore was thought would be acceptable; and there is no doubt of it, dipping into antiquity being as pleasing to the mere English reader as to one of more learning: Some few notes are added by the translator, and are particularly specified. Dr. Battely is of opinion, that Sandwich is the *Rutupiæ* of the antients, the north foreland, the *Cantium*, and that Cæsar, in his expedition to Britain set sail at Boulogne and landed at Richborough. To this volume is added a dissertation on the ancient ports of Richborough and Sandwich, by the Rev. Mr. John Lewis.

204. *The IRENARCH; or Justice of the Peace's Manual. Addressed to the gentlemen in the commission of the peace for the County of Leicester. By a gentleman of the commission. To which is prefixed a dedication to Lord Mansfield, by another Hand. 8vo. 50 pages with 75 of dedication and 32 of post-script. 2s. No publisher's name. Payne.*

This is a very masterly performance, both the *Irenarch*, and dedication. The first treats of the origin of magistrates, the nature, extent and limits of their office, and qualifications necessary to discharge it laudably; the postscript to which, contains some judicious thoughts, setting forth that the magistrate is often blamed for neglecting what is not in his power to perform; and this appears to be really the case. This piece has been published before, but being confined within the precincts of a single county, the author of the dedication, thought it would be doing good to mankind to re-print it; and it is highly worthy the perusal of every man, as indeed is the dedication, which is meant to convey certain hints to the public under the sanction of Lord Mansfield's name. Here then the author points out some of the many grievances in the law, which have lessened Lord Mansfield in the opinion of this country. He runs through most of *Junius's* charge, against his lordship; treats the chief justice with freedom and familiarity, but at the same time with decency and respect; and notwithstanding, as he says, there is too much reason for *Junius's* complaints, he in a great measure exculpates Lord Mansfield, by attributing them to a defect in our laws. The dedication is enriched with notes which evince the author to be a man of extensive reading.

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205. *A new DICTIONARY of FRENCH IDIOMS. Being a select collection of several thousand idiomatical phrases most usual in the best French writers, with the English adapted, equally necessary for all who are learning the French language, whether in a school or by private application. By A. DE TREITORRENS, teacher of the French language, at Mr. Cotton's academy, at Enfield, in Middlesex. 32o. 175 pages and 4 of preface. 1s. bound in sheep. Harris.*

This collection is principally drawn from *Télémachus*, *Gil Blas* and *Moliere*. The author has endeavoured to arrange them alphabetically, but it has answered no purpose, for particular phrases cannot thus be found. However the work is useful.

206. *A PRACTICAL INTRODUCTION to ARITHMETIC; or the teacher of arithmetic's assistant. Containing arithmetic of whole numbers, with vulgar, decimal and duodecimal fractions. To which is added an appendix of directions and examples for receipts, promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of parcels, bills of book debts and letters; with various exercises in the same. By CHARLES MARSHALL, master of Aldersgate-ward school, and author of a new spelling-book, under the title of an introduction to the English tongue. 12mo. 100 pages with 5 of preface, contents, &c. 1s. bound in buckram. Wilkie.*

The author of this work boasts of having omitted every thing but what is necessary to know, leaving out all such rules as are not of use in the ordinary concerns of life. Sums are here given without the product or answer; and questions are proposed and answered, without the method of working such questions.

207. *An HEROIC POSTSCRIPT to the PUBLIC. Occasioned by their favourable reception of a late heroic epistle to Sir William Chambers, Knt. By the author of that epistle. 4to. 10 pages. 1s. Almon.*

One hundred and ten lines in heroic measure, declarative of the author's intention from time to time to lash the follies and vices of the great. By Mr. Hare, author of article 447, vol. ii.

208. *De DAVIDIS in SAULUM et JONATHANUM THRENO. CONCIO ad CLERUM habita in templo S. Mariæ coram academia Cantabrigiensi, Junii 1, 1773. Progradu Doctoratus in sacra Theologia; a F. CHURCHILL, S. T. P. aula Clarensis nuper socio. Royal 4to. writing paper, 8 pages. 1s. Printed at Cambridge. White.*

This Latin sermon preached by Mr. Churchill before the University of Cambridge for his doctor's degree, is no inelegant com-

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composition, and contains a criticism on David's lamentation over Saul and Jonathan his son. The text 2 Sam. i. 17.

209. *The LEGAL DEGREES of MARRIAGE STATED and CONSIDERED, in a series of letters to a friend. By JOHN ALLRYNE, Esq; Barrister at Law. 8vo. 57 pages. 1s. Harris.*

The design of this tract is to shew that a marriage solemnized between a man and his deceased wife's full sister is agreeable to the laws of God and this kingdom. The author who is but an indifferent reasoner and an indifferent writer, advances, that the following proposition is the fundamental truth on which all rational law is built and from whence all human rights are derived. Namely, "let man so conduct himself, as to secure his own happiness, without invading the present or future happiness of another." He then endeavours to support his doctrine by scripture and says the 5th and subsequent verses of the 25th of Deuteronomy, indubitably authorises it; that if there be no issue of the first marriage by this text, such a contract is expressly commanded, and if there be issue, it is still lawful though not commanded. He goes on to shew that the several acts of parliament, respecting marriage, in some degree warrant his assertion, but that as a few cases have been determined in our courts to the contrary, he recommends an application to parliament for a farther sanction. As to the 99th canon of 1603, he considers it as no wise obligatory on the nation at large.

210. *The DIVINE PREDICTIONS of DANIEL and St. JOHN DEMONSTRATED, in a symbolical theological dissertation on Cox's Museum. With notes critical and explanatory. And a dedicatory epistle to the bishop of Gloucester. 4to. 20 pages with 11 of epistle. 1s. 6d. Wheble.*

A burlesque on Warburton's *Divine Legation of Moses* and some of his other works. The author of this piece thinks he has discovered Cox's Museum in the *Apocalypse of St. John*, as much as the bishop of Gloucester did the Eleusinian myteries in *Virgil's Æneid*. Written with humour.

211. *FRAGMENTS sur L'INDE, sur GENERAL LALLI, et sur le COMTE de MORANGIES. 8vo. 184 pages with 3 of contents. Printed abroad. 2s. 6d. sewed. Nourie.*

This volume is written by Voltaire and preserves the character of all the productions of this great man. It contains a very agreeable recapitulation of facts, partly true and partly inaccurate (for the author was not able to verify the whole himself) for he exculpates La Bourdonnaye and Dupleix, who were the greatest villains of the age, and advances not half the proofs of Lalli's innocence, (who was the King of England), in short he sounds the praises of those who overcame, and does not do justice

tice to the memory of those who fell. The book however is well written, and will make strangers fully acquainted with the transactions alluded to. In short, we may say, as a counsellor, Voltaire writes exceedingly well on the subject; as an author, indifferently well, but as an honest man, contemptibly; particularly in the case of poor Morangiés. There are throughout this work many geographical errors and some attempts at wit, respecting the population and riches of India, which proves that Voltaire has never obtained a faithful and genuine state of the India companies either in England or France, a translation of it will appear in a few days.

212. *An EASY WAY to PROLONG LIFE, by a little ATTENTION to our MANNER of LIVING. Containing many salutary observations on exercise, rest, sleep, evacuations, &c. Together with an enquiry into the following points. Why some who are very hungry and have good appetites, eat little, while others having little appetites, eat much? Whence is it, that the accustomed hour of eating being passed, we often lose our appetite? Whether the losing of blood in the spring, be necessary for the preservation of health? Whether the occasional use of cordials be prejudicial to the constitution? And some remarks on drunkenness, smoking and on the utility of taking physic in the spring. The SECOND PART. By a medical gentleman, author of the first part. 8vo. 39 pages and 1 in Latin, containing 15 rules necessary to be observed in order observe health. 1s. 6d. Printed for the author. J. Bell. Vide articles 449, 822, vol ii. and 149.*

This work has been exceedingly well received by the public, and in this second part is completed. It contains a great many just observations and serves to shew that a little inattention to matters we think trifling, has often destroyed that health, we should otherwise have preserved. In short we do not know a more valuable present to the world than this publication may prove. It deserves the perusal of every one.

213. *A TREATISE of MARITIME SURVEYING. In two parts, with a prefatory essay on draughts and surveys. By MURDOCH MACKENZIE, sen. late maritime surveyor in his majesty's service. 4to. 119 pages with 23 of preface and 4 copper plates. 6s. Dilly.*

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Chap. 4. contains an account of sundry good methods of examining, and using the several instruments for measuring angles, &c. Chap. 5. presents a select collection of astronomical problems, &c.—As this is the first attempt of marine surveying, the author has acquitted himself very well, in not only discovering a thorough knowledge of it himself, but has explained it in such a manner, as cannot fail of being useful to others that may have occasion to make such kind of surveys or draughts.

214. *The FORTUNE-TELLER.* 2 vols. 12mo. 407. pages. 6s. bound. Bew.

We are inclined to think that this little piece will be allowed to have merit. The plan of the work appears to be constructed with some ingenuity, and, if properly attended to, cannot fail of being useful to many of its readers. There are a great many matters brought forth by the Fortune-teller to the reader's view, which must affect such as have any feeling, and as the unfavourable side of the picture of human nature is here presented, it has a much better effect on the mind, than had the author presented the favourable one.

215. *An ELEGY on the FEARS of DEATH.* By the author of *The difference between words reputed Synonymous*, after the manner of Girard, 2 vols. Hogarth moralized, &c. &c. 4to. 12 pages. 1s. 6d. J. Bell.

This poem is written, in the manner of *Gray's Elegy on a Church-Yard*. By the Rev. Dr. John Trusler, and contains some rich thoughts. We cannot say we have not seen a better poem altogether, but as it appears to be penned with a pious intent, that of awakening such of its readers to a serious consideration of its important contents, as would turn their backs upon a sermon, we cannot but applaud it. The poetry is good, but if it wants any thing, it is elevation of sentiment. This however may be owing to the triteness of the subject, and we are told it is his first poetical attempt. It contains many alarming arguments that must rouse the sinner and many comfortable ones to reconcile a good man to the loss of life.

216. *An APPENDIX to a late publication, intitled the leading sentiments of the Quakers examined, &c.* By S. NEWTON of Norwich. Being an answer to the principal things advanced by Mr. Phipps in his last performance (article 602 vol. ii.) in which the author takes his final leave of the controversy, with a friendly address to Mr. Phipps and his brethren. 8vo. 35 pages. 6d. Printed at Norwich. Beatniffe.

Those who have read this author's leading sentiments and Phipps's

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Phipps's original and present state of man, would do well to peruse this appendix. *Vide* article 887, vol. i.

217. *OBSERVATIONS on the DISCOURSES DELIVERED at the ROYAL ACADEMY. Addressed to the president.* 4to. 19 pages. 1s. Almon.

The sensible author of this performance declares himself a personal stranger to Sir Joshua Reynolds, whom he here arraigns, and labours to prove, that many principles laid down in his annual discourses, instead of instructing, must have pernicious consequences; the design of this tract being to evince that this ingenious artist is inculcating doctrines he does not understand, and that his yearly rhapsody of nonsense can have no other effect than to confound and mislead the young artist.

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220. *An APPEAL to the PUBLIC, from the judgment of a certain manager; with original letters; and the drama of one act, which was refused representation.* 8vo. 40 pages with 11 of appeal. 1s. Bew.

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224. *A DESCRIPTION of PATAGONIA and the adjoining parts of South America, containing an account of the soil, produce, animals, vales, mountains, rivers, lakes, &c. of those countries; the religion, government, policy, customs, dress, arms and language of the Indian inhabitants; and some particulars relating to Falkland's Islands. By THOMAS FALKNER, who resided near forty years in those parts. Illustrated with a new map of the Southern parts of America, engraved by Mr. Kitchen, hydrographer to his Majesty.* 4to. 116 pages, with 27 of preface and introduction, and 5 of contents and advertisement. 7s. 6d. boards. Printed at Hereford. Lewis.

The author of these sheets professes to confine himself to matters within his own knowledge and as such we must suppose them true. Though he has met with a Patagonian now and then above 7 feet high, he avers, they are not a gigantic race of men, as reported. To excite the curiosity of the reader to run through

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through these pages, it will be sufficient to say, a great difference will be found, between this account and Mr. Bouganvilles, with respect to Falkland islands; and that the Southern parts of South America are shewn to be considerably broader than hitherto described. The map accompanying this work is a two-sheet map. Mr. Falkner is not very full in his accounts, but they are worth attention.

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comment, in public lectures. The news-paper critics having been all upon his back, in his *retort courteous*, he explains his design, declares himself no orator, and that his intent only in these lectures, is to point out by the voice, those emphases that could not so well be described by the pen, it being universally allowed that good reading is the best comment.

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swaded the cures attributed to hemlock, will not stand the test of enquiry, but he discovers, through the whole, too much warmth of temper ; for admit all Dr. Butter has advanced, concerning hemlock, should prove erroneous, there can be no room for reflections so personal as we meet with here.

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246. *The DECISION of the COURT of SESSION, upon the QUESTION of LITERARY PROPERTY ; in the cause John Hinton of London, Bookseller, Pursuer ; against Alexander Donaldson and John Wood, Booksellers in Edinburgh, and James Meurose, bookseller in Kilmarnock, defenders. Published by JAMES BOSWELL Esq. Advocate. One of the council in the cause. 4to. 37 pages and 4 of introduction. 2s. Printed at Edinburgh. A. Donaldson.*

This pamphlet contains the speeches of the Lords of session, on an enquiry, whether literary property was secured by the common law of Scotland ; eleven of the lords were against the perpetuity and only one for it. The matter in dispute was the Scotch bookseller's re-printing *Stackhouses history of the Bible*. The subject is here well discussed, and the arguments different from any advanced on the same subject lately in the House of Lords.

247. *VICE, A Satire. 4to. 17 pages. 1s. Bew.*
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248. RUTTY'S ESSAY towards a NATURAL HISTORY of the COUNTY of DUBLIN. Vide article 1308, vol. ii. 51.

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251. CONSIDERATIONS on the PROPRIETY of REQUIRING SUBSCRIPTION to ARTICLES of FAITH. Vide article 178.

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252. BATES'S TRANSLATION of the PENTATEUCH. Vide article 965, vol. ii.

This translation, is so very literal as to be really unintelligible to a plain English reader: we know no translation which exceeds or even equals this for obscurity, inconsistency and absurdity. The author, it must be granted, was a tolerable master of some parts of oriental literature; but he seems to have
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been entirely void of judgment. He hath employed all his learning in disfiguring, we may say, in burlesquing the sacred writings. The chief design of the work is a defence of the Athanasian trinity. *Monthly Review.*

253. POLITICAL DISQUISITIONS. Vol. I. 6s. boards. Vide article 235.

The chief design of the volume now before us, is to shew, that our parliaments are, at present, on such a footing, as to the inadequate state of representation, the enormous length of their period, and ministerial influence prevailing in them, that their efficiency for the good of the people is nearly annihilated, and the subversion of the constitution and ruin of the state is, without timely reformation, unavoidably to be expected. The author enters into a particular discussion of the subject, interweaving the materials he has collected with his own reflections: and here he appears not only in the light of a sincere friend to the welfare of his country, but also as a judicious and sensible, though not elegant writer, who presents a variety of entertaining, instructive and useful matter to the public consideration.

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The author of these disquisitions appears to have consulted with unwearied application the most approved historians and writers on the subject of politics, for the purpose of collecting such facts and remarks, as serve to illustrate the principles of the British constitution, and enable his readers to distinguish between the abuses and salutary regulations, not only in the legislative, but also in the executive part of our government. The method by which he has been guided in extracting this great collection of political observations encreases their value in a high degree, by shewing that the object of his researches was not to confirm by authorities any doctrines in favour of which he was prejudiced; but indiscriminately to adopt the various remarks made by writers of distinguished reputation, antient and modern, and by an application of the principles on which those are founded, ascertain the merits or defects of the government of this country. This work cannot fail of being useful to members of parliament.

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254. HULL'S HENRY the SECOND. Vide article 114, 176.

Mr. Hull, in this tragedy, has adhered with much fidelity to the popular tale of Henry and Rosamond. He has aimed at simplicity, and has, in some measure succeeded; but his abilities are not equal to his understanding; he wants the vigour and fire of a genius. There is therefore, too great a uniformity in the tone of all his sentiments. His characters are not sufficiently marked. They are all people in distress, and they tell their

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their grievances much in the same way. Mr. Hull's morality is generally unexceptionable, but the good sentiments and maxims which it inculcates are feebly expressed. However the play has some merit, as a simple affecting story, rather pathetically told. *Monthly Review.*

255. TUCKER's *Four TRACTS.* Vide *article 103.*

Sensible, ingenious and accurate; and every liberal-minded reader, we are persuaded, will read these tracts with satisfaction. The sermons at the end of this work are naturally introduced and judiciously treated, and in them the Dean hath shewn the proper connexion of a just commercial intercourse between man and man, with the great duties of morality, religion and patriotism. *Monthly Review.*

256. CLARENDON's STATE PAPERS. *Vol. II.* Vide *article 1087, vol. ii.*

A noble and valuable collection, that must prove of great importance to the elucidation of our national history. *Monthly Review.*

257. EACHARD's WORKS. *New edition.* Vide *article 115.*

Dr. Eachard was the pleasantest controversial writer of the last age, and all his works are here collected. *Monthly Review.*

258. BELL's EDITION of SHAKESPEARE's Plays. Vide *article 117.*

An elegant edition, with the prettiest ornaments that have yet been bestowed on Shakespeare's works. *Monthly Review.*

259. MISCELLANEOUS and FUGITIVE PIECES. Vide *article 56.*

A pleasing and valuable collection. *Monthly Review.*

260. *An HEROIC POSTSCRIPT to the public.* Vide *article 207.*

Ingenious. *Monthly Review.*

A *jeu d'esprit*; and the sprightly writer seems possessed of the powers of poetry in a very eminent degree. *Gents. Magaz.*

261. ODE to the EARL of NORTHAMPTON.

A compliment to the Northampton family and not inelegant. *Monthly Review.*

262. FEMALE ARTIFICE. Vide *article 239.*

Poor. *Monthly Review.*

An improbable story. *Critical Review.*

263. MORE's SEARCH after HAPPINESS. *3d. edition.* Vide *articles 736, 815, 1062, vol. ii.*

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To this edition is added a very spirited epilogue, spoken when it was performed by a set of young ladies. *Monthly Review.*

264. *The FOUR SEASONS, a Poem; by JOHN HUDDLESTONE WYNNE, Gent. 4to. 2s. 6d.* Riley.

A wretched fricassee in rhyme, of some passages in Thomson's charming work on that subject. The bad verses are so numerous and the whole so insipid, that it merits not the least attention. *Monthly Review.*

265. *An EPISTLE to JUNIUS.* Vide article 86.

Half a crown for such—But we forbear! the author may want it. Written, says the advertisement, by Benjamin Hughes. *Monthly Review.*

266. *The NOTE of HAND.* Vide article 225.

Containing some lively, laughable, and just satire on the turf and table-gamblers. *Monthly Review.*

A lively representation of the gamblers at Newmarket, interspersed with many entertaining strokes of satire. *Critical Review.*

This piece can boast of little originality, but it has some share of merit. There is the character of an Irishman in it well drawn, and one of the characters is no bad picture of the extravagant young Cub, for whom it is intended. *Westm. Mag.*

This farce may be pronounced an hour's very agreeable relaxation. *T. & C. Mag.*

Though the fable of this piece is in some measure unnatural, as many of the incidents never could be supposed to have happened, yet there is a good deal of real humour and observation in it. In the course of this farce we discover, in a variety of situations, a view of the many infamous and ridiculous practices of the honourable fraternity of *black legs*, particularly the characters of a gaming statesman and three broken tradesmen, whose neglect of business and dissipations of the town have forced on this disgraceful mode of existence. *London Magaz.*

267. *AIRS, &c. in the SYLPHS.* Vide article 191.

The chief merit of this minikin performance consists in the sprightliness of some of the airs and the beauty of some of the scenes. *Monthly Review.*

268. *LETTERS of GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON, &c.* Vide article 232.

269. *LETTER to SIR FLETCHER NORTON.* Vide article 242.

Too well known to be again mentioned. *Monthly Review.*

270. *JOURNAL of a VOYAGE to the NORTH POLE.* Vide article 105.

This

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This appears to be the real journal of some person on board of one of the ships, and it contains many curious particulars.

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271. MEMOIRE, POUR moi, par moi, LOUIS DE LAURAGUAIS. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Elmly.

This memorial of Count Lauraguais's relates to a private quarrel.

Monthly Review.

272. PRACTICAL DISCOURSE on BAPTISM. Vide articles 113, 181.

This little tract appears to be written by a pious man. He is an advocate for adult baptism, and it is questionable whether he would allow that of infants to be called by the name. Though numbers of christians will not entirely agree with this author, in his account of the nature of baptism and of its subjects, yet every pious person will approve of his practical observations and advise, which require the careful attention of those who are arrived at years of maturity without having been baptized.

Monthly Review.

273. AMNER, on the POSITIVE INSTITUTIONS of CHRISTIANITY. Vide article 97.

The subject is here considered in a rational and intelligent manner. The author writes with caution and modesty, and appears very solicitous to advance nothing for which he has not a sufficient foundation. In short, the pamphlet is to be regarded as a sensible and useful performance.

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274. LINDSEY'S FAREWELL ADDRESS. Vide article 104.

Plain, sensible and pathetic.

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275. HENRY'S SERMON. Cadell. Vide article 1284, vol. ii.

The importance and usefulness of divine revelation are here judiciously stated, enforced, and shewn to be the most effectual means of enlightening men in the knowledge of religion, and at the same time convincing them of its truth and persuading them to the practice of it.

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276. TURNER'S CHARGE with EVANS'S SERMON. Vide article 1323, vol. ii.

277. PALMER'S CHARITY SERMON. Vide article 223.

The *Monthly Review* is quite silent on these articles.

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278. FAWCET'S SERMON. Vide article 95.

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There is a becoming moderation in this discourse, which will be read with satisfaction by those *consistent* dissenters, who are well wishers to the cause and it can give no offence, we suppose, to the unprejudiced members of our established church.

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279. *A SERMON preached in the parish Church of Newbury Berks, Jan. 14, 1774, at the funeral of the Rev. John Gere, L. L. B. Fellow of Winchester. By the Rev. THOMAS PENROSE, curate of Newbury. 4to. 1s. Walter.*

This brief oration merits some distinction from the common run of funeral sermons, on account of its superior eloquence. It is rationally pious and soberly pathetic, and while the author has sufficiently attended to the propriety of composition, he has not lost sight of that plainness which ever ought to bring down pulpit discourses to the level of common capacities.

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A pathetic address to the auditors on the happiness of those "who die in the Lord," with a sketch of Mr. Gere's character.

Critical Review.

280. MACKENZIE, *on MARITIME SURVEYING.* Vide article 213.

Mr. Mackenzie has acquitted himself, in this treatise, with a degree of accuracy which merits a approbation; and has not only discovered a thorough knowledge of it himself, but has also explained it in such a manner, as cannot fail of being useful to others, who may have occasion to make such kind of surveys or draughts.

Critical Review.

281. *OBSERVATIONS on the POWER of CLIMATE, over the policy, strength and manners of nations. 8vo. 154 pages, with 2 of contents. 3s. sewed. Almon.*

Though the author of these pages, maintains that climate has a great influence on the manners, &c. of a people, he acknowledges that the effect may be much varied by other circumstances, and illustrates his subject chiefly by observations drawn from our own country. He inveighs with particular severity against the prevailing manners of our nobility and gentry, and seems to think that the yet untainted virtue of the Scots is the best security the English at present enjoy, for the continuance of public liberty. In these observations we meet with several political remarks which are ingenious and just; and, though the author is sometimes too precipitate in recommending immediate recourse to the most violent measures on every infringement of liberty, he seems to be actuated by a laudable attachment to the principles and safety of the constitution.

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282. *The*

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282. *The SEAMAN'S MEDICAL INSTRUCTOR, in a course of lectures on accidents and diseases incident to seamen in the various climates of the world.* By N. D. FALCK, M. D. 8vo. 4s. boards. Dilly.

Though this treatise is professedly calculated for the use of those who are unacquainted with the medical science, to whom it may prove very advantageous, it is not below the notice either of navy surgeons or practitioners at land. *Critical Review.*

283. *BURMAN'S LIVES of ASHMOLE and LILLY.* Vide article 1318, vol. ii.

There is the appearance of honest and unaffected simplicity in the memoirs of William Lilly, but with all deference to Mr. Ashmole's virtues, we are inclined to look upon him, as a respectable old woman. *Critical Review.*

284. *The POETICAL WORKS of the late WILLIAM DUNKIN, D. D. to which are added, his epistles, &c. to the late earl of Chesterfield.* 2 vols. 4to. 1l. 1s. sewed. Becket.

The author of these poems, we are informed, attracted, very early in life, the notice of Dr. Swift, who is said to have predicted, that he would one day make an eminent figure in the poetical world. The same opinion of his talents seems to have been entertained likewise by the late earl of Chesterfield; and these volumes contain such proofs of poetical genius as fully justify the predictions. The first poem is entitled the art of gate-passing, consisting of two books, which are written both in Latin and English. The next poem is of great length, divided into four books and written also in Latin and English, blank verse, the title being the poetical mirror, penned in imitation of *Philips's splendid shilling*. The succeeding poem is also of considerable length and entitled *Faulkener's nativity*, written in Greek, Latin and English. The second volume opens with a humorous poem in three canto's, called the *Parson's revels*, which takes up 70 pages. In short, from the various poems with which we are here presented, the genius of the author is conspicuous. To a fertile invention he added the descriptive talents which are essential to the most sublime kind of poetry; and the elegance of his compositions in Greek and Latin, is such as seldom has been equalled by modern writers. He was rector of Inishalling, Ireland. *Critical Review.*

285. *The EARL of DOUGLAS, an English story. From the COUNTESS D'ANOIS.* 3 vols. 12mo. 9s. bound. Baldwin.

The incidents in this novel are represented as happening in the reign of Hen. VII. The manners are such as correspond to the idea of those times when tilts and tournaments were the

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the fashionable diversions over Europe. *Enlevements*, Amazonian huntresses, combats of Gladiators and bloody encounters, are here presented to our view; but though the fair author leads us beyond the verge of civil life, she entertains us by a frequent succession of surprising incidents, rendered yet more interesting by the consequences of which they are severally productive.

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We find from the title page of this work, that it is the production of the translator of *Dorval, observations on the Greeks, Christina queen of Sweden, &c. &c.* Little need be said in recommendation of these volumes, which make their appearance under such respectable advantages.

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286. PERCIVAL'S OBSERVATIONS, &c. on the POISON of LEAD. Vide article 243.

To prove that there is in lead a pernicious quality to the nerves of animals is the design of the treatise before us, and it is the production of an author, who has, more than once, favoured the world with valuable medical observations and experiments.

Critical Review.

287. BATTELY'S ANTIQUITIES of RICHBOROUGH, &c. translated and abridged. Vide article 203.

The whole of this treatise evinces the author to have investigated the ancient writers with great attention, and that he has drawn from this source a variety of ingenious and plausible arguments for the antiquity of the places of which he writes. It ought likewise to be observed, that, in the course of these researches, he has thrown new light on many passages in the Roman historians and poets.

Critical Review.

288. An ESSAY towards the HISTORY of LEVERPOOL, drawn up from papers left by the late Mr. George Perry, and from other materials since collected, by WILLIAM ENFIELD. Folio 121 boards. Johnson.

In this history, we have an account of the situation, climate, soil, river and tide, with the various kinds of fish taken at Liverpool, the ancient history and gradual increase of the town, the topography, dimensions, state of population and health and temperature of the sea; principal public structures and institutions; its commerce and manufactures and internal police. An appendix is added, containing an account of the ancient state of this part of Lancashire, its divisions according to the doomsday-book, explanation of the map, and an account of several neighbouring places. The plates of the public edifices, of which there is a great number in this volume, are admirably executed.

Rooker.

Critical Review.

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289. CONSIDERATIONS *on the STATE of SUBSCRIPTION, &c.*
Vide article 102.

An excellent tract, written in a masterly manner, exhibiting a distinct view of the rise and progress of subscriptions; and breathing a spirit of true christian liberty and rational religion.
Critical Review.

290. ORIGINAL POEMS, &c. by a *lady*. Vide articles 1302, vol. ii. 142.

We do not sacrifice justice to compliment, when we admit these poems to possess a considerable share of merit. The subjects of these poems are of different kinds and an agreeable turn of reflection is perceptible through the whole. In the translations and imitations, the genius of this hand-maid of the muses appears equally to advantage.
Critical Review.

291. COLMAN'S MAN *of BUSINESS*. Vide article 226.

This comedy is well constructed for exhibiting the scenes of commercial life in such a light as to afford entertainment on the theatre, and the author has arranged the incidents to the greatest advantage. The intrigues of business are here described in so lively a manner, that we are not left to regret the absence of those of gallantry, which, for the most part, constitute the subject of the comic muse. Of the latter, however, this comedy is not entirely destitute.
Critical Review.

292. SENTIMENTAL FABLES. *Designed chiefly for the use of the ladies*. 8vo. 6s. bound. Robinson.

Instead of elegance of language, harmonious versification, and the most easy, flowing and intelligible style, as we were led to expect from the preface, we meet with mean and incorrect expressions, harsh versification, with ungrammatical, unintelligible language; nor are the fables well drawn up.
Critical Review.

293. TRANSTAGANO'S PORTUGUESE DICTIONARY. Vide article 1121, vol. ii.

This work, the first of the kind, comes into the world under the patronage of Lord Clive; and it is deserving of encouragement, being well executed, and having been the employ of years.
Critical Review.

294. PRIESTLEY'S INSTITUTES *of RELIGION*, Vol. II. Vide article 1222, vol. ii.

Though the subject of this volume is trite, it is far from being exhausted; but like every other subject of great importance,
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tance, affords room for any person to find either some new arguments for it, or at least, to set the old ones in some new and more striking point of light. Some merit of this kind must be allowed to the ingenious Dr. Priestley, especially in what relates to the general distribution of his materials; which is easy and natural, and calculated to exhibit the evidence of revelation with strength and perspicuity. *Critical Review.*

295. *OPINIONS concerning the UNIVERSITY of OXFORD.* Vide article 92.

The university of Oxford can derive no great honour from this publication, as it contains nothing but vague and insignificant observations. *Critical Review.*

296. *CRUWYS, on the SEPTUAGINT.* Vide article 98.

The author seems to have taken some pains in collecting the sentiments of Usher, Vossius, Walton, P. Simon, Thorndike and other eminent writers upon these points. But his enquiries are dispatched in a summary way, without affording any considerable pleasure or satisfaction to an inquisitive reader.

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297. *SCOTT'S LYRICK POEMS.* Vide article 374, vol. ii.

The author of these pieces has aimed in the choice and arrangement of his subjects, to form a kind of poetical system of morals and piety. These compositions are not distinguished by any peculiar grace or dignity of language, but animated by a spirit of piety and devotion. They may be ranked in the same class with the Lyric poems of Dr. Watts. *Critical Review.*

298. *VICE, a SATIRE.* Vide article 247.

Written in a stile far superior to what we generally find in compositions of this kind. The vices which the author particularly stigmatizes, are ambition, oppression, murder, adultery, seduction and prostitution. The fatal consequence of prostitution is very justly and pathetically described. We only wish the author had engaged our attention through the whole piece, by animadversions equally interesting and important.

Critical Review.

299. *NUPTIAL ELEGIES.* Vide article 227.

In these elegies, if they can be called so, virtuous raptures and sentimental strokes of tenderness are described in an agreeable strain of poetry. *Critical Review.*

300. *An APPEAL to the PUBLIC, from the judgment of a certain manager, &c.* Vide article 220.

The drama, in this pamphlet, is not destitute of humour, but perhaps the circumstance of there being another entertainment

ment on the same subject, and well received, is sufficient to justify the manager in refusing to bring it on the stage.

Critical Review.

301. *An EASY WAY to PROLONG LIFE.* Part II. Vide article 212.

The observations contained in this treatise are judicious and may undoubtedly be useful for preserving health.

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302. *The CIRCUIT of LIFE.* Vide article 201.

This production is an imitation of the work of Cebes and may be considered as an ingenious allegory.

Critical Review.

303. *A plain GRAMMAR of the HEBREW LANGUAGE, adapted to the use of schools, with biblical examples.* By the Rev. W. H. BARKER. A. B. 8vo. 1s. 6d.

The rules and observations here, are selected from the best grammarians, particularly the learned Mr. Parkhurst. Many superfluities are struck out, and whatever seemed to be essentially necessary, is supplied. In short the work is drawn up in an easy and compendious form and will undoubtedly facilitate the study of the Hebrew, even to such as are strangers to the principles of all grammar.

Critical Review.

304. *The SHIP-MASTER'S ASSISTANT.* Vide article 946, vol. ii.

This work, though contained in a few pages, seems well executed, and in our opinion merits the attention of sea-faring men in general.

Critical Review.

305. *RAND'S MONEY-TABLES.* Vide articles 1186, vol. ii. 29.

Useful, by saving the trouble of calculation.

Critical Review.

306. *One more PROOF of the INQUITOUS ABUSE of PRIVATE MAD-HOUSES.* By SAMUEL BRUCKSHAW, late of Stamford, Lincolnshire. 8vo. 68 pages, with 2 of dedication to Frederic Bull, Esq. 7 of introduction, and 15 of appendix, containing affidavits. 3s. 6d. Kearsly.

It is evident from this pamphlet, which from the importance of its concern to every individual, ought to be generally perused by all people, that the conduct of small private mad-houses is absolutely necessary to be reprehended, and no person permitted in a private manner to receive patients without regular authority of law for so doing, testified by physical evidence, this pamphlet contains a clear account of the many hardships and sufferings of the poor wretch described in it, and well recited.

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We are here presented with a circumstantial narrative of the oppression to which this plaintive has been subjected from a false imputation of insanity; and an appendix is added containing a variety of affidavits in support of the justice of his complaint.

Critical Review.

A scene is here given of magistrates shamefully interfering in a private dispute and prostituting their authority to gratify the malevolence of their pot-companions. Fearful of the consequences, they plunge yet deeper into iniquity, and under a charge of insanity (a charge since acknowledged by the principal culprit, to be utterly without foundation) they drag the wretched victim from his business, confine him in a gaol, load him with irons and are not ashamed to call in the aid of a keeper of a private mad-house: in which (having artfully deceived his friends residing at a considerable distance) they prolong his confinement for near a year, to the total ruin of his fortune and character. The injured party sought his remedy at law, but unfortunately, as is frequently the case, has found the remedy no less fatal than the disease.

London Magaz.

307. *A LETTER to the WEST-COUNTRY FARMERS, concerning the difficulties and management of a bad harvest.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Printed at Paisley, Scotland. Weir.

The public is indebted for this valuable performance to the Rev. Mr. Warner, minister of the gospel at Kilbarchan. It appears to us full of very useful lessons and instructions, and expressed with great perspicuity and ease. No husbandman or farmer, tho' well informed on the subject of agriculture, will read this tract, without being particularly pleased and without receiving hints which may lead to improvement.

Edinburgh Magaz.

308. *The DUTY of HOLDING FAITH, considered and recommended. A Synod SERMON.* By JAMES LORIMER, D. D. minister of Yarrow. 8vo. 6d. Printed at Edinburgh. No publisher's name.

This discourse is sensible and pertinent. The author does not wander from his subject; but lays down his method with great propriety and keeps to it. He aims not at ornaments; but his style is pure, plain and perspicuous. The text, 1 Tim. i. 19. "Holding Faith."

Edinburgh Magaz.

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309. PROOFS of the REALITY and TRUTH of LOTTERY CALCULATIONS, with observations on the Muscum and Adelphi lotteries, and a table shewing the value of insurance each day during the drawing of the latter; likewise, a plan, by pursuing which two out of three adventurers will be successful, and a specimen of numbers, which will be valuable both as to their chance for prizes and the manner in which they will be drawn, insomuch that considerable odds may be laid upon an equal chance, with a certainty of gaining. By JOHN MOLESWORTH, Esq; late of Peterhouse College, Cambridge, and of the Inner-Temple, London. Small 4to. 30 pages, and 5 of preface, &c. 5s. Williams.

The author pretends here to offer such proofs and conclusive evidences of the reality and truth of his calculations as must convince the most incredulous; but after reading the tract, we must confess ourselves as much in the dark as ever. He has taken the advantage of the curiosity of mankind to put 5s. price upon his pamphlet; and if he could point out as he says, how his purchasers should obtain one of the capital prizes in the Adelphi lottery, it would be 5s. well laid out; but according to our opinion of the matter, both his calculations and his pamphlet are an imposition. We say, according to our opinion, for we cannot fathom the depth of this mysterious matter.

310. LOTS and NUMBERS of the ADELPHI LOTTERY advantageous to insure, with a hint to the speculators in tickets, by which there is a certainty of gaining, demonstrated in a manner clear to every capacity. By JOHN MOLESWORTH, Esq; late of Peterhouse-College, Cambridge, and of the Inner-Temple, London. 8vo. 11 pages, with 7 of preface. 1s. Williams.

This author professes, that when a child, he could calculate the number of seconds in 50 years, by the meer strength of memory, without the help of pen and ink, and that he can now read and retain 150 8vo. pages in an hour; but all this, admitting it to be true, does not prove that he is able out of a given number of tickets, to point out which are most likely to be the fortunate ones; and yet he declares he can. He has given us here 60 numbers, which, if insured at the time and manner he shall direct, he says will be attended with success in a great majority of instances; but as the purchaser must refer to him for such direction, and as he will not give it but to those who buy his tract, it is evidently intended to take in the credulous.

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311. *An HISTORICAL ACCOUNT of COFFEE, with an engraving and botanical description of the tree; to which are added sundry papers, relative to its culture and use, as an article of diet and of commerce. Published by JOHN ELLIS, F. R. S. agent for the island of Dominica. Royal 4to. writing paper, 69 pages, with 3 of preface and contents. 3s. 6d. or 4s. 6d. with the cut coloured, pasted in marble paper. Dilly.*

The title very well expresses the contents. The papers are written by Dr. Fothergill and others. At the end is a list of the exports to the British West India Islands.

312. *ADDITIONAL PREFACE to a pamphlet, entitled, an appeal to the public, on the subject of the national debt; containing observations on the present state of the kingdom, with respect to its trade, debts, taxes, and paper credit. 8vo. 8 pages. Cadell.*

Dr. Price, the author of this preface, having in his appeal, (article 242, vol. i.) proposed a plan for paying off the national debt, by suffering the sinking fund to accumulate, lays these additional pages before the public, to acquaint them that that plan is subverted, by the sinking fund's suffering a diminution; and prophecy, that were the people to avoid destroying themselves by intemperance, or only to leave off the use of one or two foreign weeds, the revenue would be deficient and a public bankruptcy might ensue. But as it is, he is of opinion, a dreadful convulsion cannot be very distant, and if a rupture with our colonies does not bring it on immediately; the next war will scarcely leave a chance for escaping it.

313. *The HISTORY of AGATHON, by Mr. C. M. WIELAND. Translated from the German original, with a preface by the translator. 4 vols. 12mo. 1085 pages, with 27 of preface, 8 of contents and an engraved frontispiece to the first volume. 12s. bound. Cadell.*

This is the history of a good man, the master-piece of Mr. Wieland, who is well known to have distinguished himself in the literary world. Written in the form of a Grecian novel, the work is calculated to lay before the reader a system of morality; for this purpose characters are introduced in order to carry on metaphysical conferences. The first volume exhibits a Grecian sophist, a materialist, whose system opposes the essential principles of religion and justice, but whose sophistry is well refuted by the sensible reasonings of Agathon. In the second volume, our hero is introduced at Athens, and we have an entertaining description of the manners and disposition of that republic; with some excellent reasonings in favour of monarchical government. And in the end we are taught the way to become wise

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wise and virtuous. In short this is a truly instructing novel, deserving the attention even of the most learned reader.

314. *The SCHOOL for HUSBANDS. Written by a lady. 2 vols. 12mo. 495 pages. 6s bound. Bew.*

We can say nothing in favour of this piece, except it be that it may class with that crowd of novels with which the press teems. It is in the epistolary form.

315. *The ROMAN HISTORY, in a series of letters, from a nobleman to his son. 2 vol. 12mo. 561 pages, with 2 of preface. 6s. bound. Snagg.*

This is a new method of printing the Roman History, and may possibly be found, particularly in schools, a useful publication. The author has laid before the reader, leading facts and drawn proper conclusions from them.

316. *The ART of TANNING and CURRYING leather, with an account of all the different processes made use of in Europe and Asia for dying leather red and yellow. Collected and published at the expence of the Dublin society. To which are added Mr. Phillips's method of dying the Turkey leather, as approved by the society for the encouragement of arts, &c. and for which he had a reward of one hundred pounds and their gold medal for the secret. 12mo. 244 pages, with 18 of preface and contents. 2s. 6d. sewed. Printed at Dublin, London reprinted. Nourse.*

Very useful to persons in the leather trade, and a work that may be relied on.

317. *An ARGUMENT in DEFENCE of LITERARY PROPERTY. By FRANCIS HARGRAVE, Esq. The second edition. To which is added a postscript, apologizing for the time, and mode of first publishing the argument. 8vo. 55 pages, with one of advertisement. 1s. Printed for the author. Otridge.*

The basis on which the reasoning in this tract is founded, is that every man has a right to appropriate to himself the fruits of his own industry, so far as is practicable in the nature of things, and is at the same time consistent with the rights of others, and the restraints imposed by the laws and political institutions of the country in which he lives. From this argument, Mr. Hargrave very sensibly, but rather too metaphysically proves that an author has as much right over his literary compositions, *after publication as before*; and that the laws rather favour such a doctrine than oppose it. There is one argument in defence of literary property, that, though inconsistent with our plan, we beg leave to mention, it not having been thought of throughout the whole contest, tis this, It is allowed that an author has a right

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a right in his copy, while it continues in ms. though he shall multiply such ms. copies and sell them. Where then is the difference between a printed copy and a mss. ? It cannot be the form or manner of multiplying them that can alter the nature of the right ; and notwithstanding an author by printing his book sends it abroad into the world, he still holds a right over every copy, as much as he would do, were it transcribed, instead of being printed.

318. *The SENTIMENTAL SPOUTER : or young actors companion, containing. 1. A treatise on oratory in general and theatrical acquirements in particular ; in which rules are laid down, and if properly observed, cannot fail to possess the dramatic genius with taste to discern, and judgment to enforce the meaning and conception of his author, with propriety and applause. 2. A collection of the most celebrated scenes, speeches and soliloquies, selected from the most admired tragedies and comedies, represented on the English stage. The whole comprising the essence of theatrical delivery and the beauties of dramatic poetry. 12mo. 124 pages with 16 of introduction on oratory and 2 of advertisement, with an engraved frontispiece. 1s. 6d. pasted in marble paper. Wheble.*

The oratorical rules in the first part of this work are trifling and a plagiary, and the passages in the second part are ill selected.

319. *LITERARY LIBERTY CONSIDERED ; in a letter to Henry Sampson Woodfall. 8vo. 32 pages. 1s. Johnson.*

A few fustian animadversions on the abuse of news-paper productions.

320. *The CATTLE-KEEPER'S ASSISTANT, or genuine directions for country gentlemen, sportsmen, farmers, graziers, farriers &c. being a very curious collection of well authenticated observations and receipts, made by persons of note and experience, for the cure of the most common distempers incident to horses, oxen, cows, calves, sheep, lambs, hogs and dogs, digested under proper heads. By JONAH RINGSTED, Esq. 8vo. 90 pages, with 2 of contents. 1s. 6d. Dixwell.*

Made up from other books, and wretchedly made up. The best part of the directions respecting horses, is stolen from the *Gentleman's Pocket-Farrier*.

320. *A SERMON preached before the house of Lords, in the Abbey-Church of St. Peter, Westminster, on Monday January 31, 1774, being the day appointed to be observed as the day of the martyrdom of King Charles I. By the Right Rev. father in God WILLIAM Lord BISHOP of CHESTER. 4to. 18 pages 1s. Payne.*

Fearful of giving offence, this good bishop steers between both parties, praising both occasionally ; the discourse being wholly

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wholly taken up with observations in the factions of the times alluded to. It is however sensibly written. The text, Isaiah. iii. 3.

321. *La CLOCHE De L'AME: or conscience the loudest knell. A satyr. Occasioned by several late complaints from places of public resort, of the too long and frequent tolling of the bells, at deaths and funerals. To which is added Vigiliana novissima, or the reformed watchman. The second edition. With considerable alterations and additions. 12mo. 32 pages. 6d. Towers.*

Written in heroic measure, but the pious intention of the author must atone for the poetry. The *Vigiliana novissima* is no other than a better kind of bellman's verses.

322. *The PLEADINGS of the COUNSEL before the HOUSE of LORDS, in the great cause, concerning LITERARY PROPERTY; together with the opinions of the learned judges, on the common law right of authors and booksellers. To which are added the speeches of the noble lords, who spoke for and against reversing the decree of the court of chancery. 4to. 39 pages with 2 of preface. 1s. Wilkin.*

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325. CODRUS: *A tragedy*. 8vo. 75 pages, with 6 of dedication to T— B. B. Esq. F. R. S. advertisement, prologue &c. 1s. 6d. Johnson.

This tragedy is founded on a good story, that, of Codrus dying in his country's cause, but the plot is rather confused, and the transition of blank verse to prose is not very pleasing. It was offered to Mr. Garrick for exhibition and refused.

326. SETHONA: *A tragedy, as it is performed at the theatre-royal Drury-lane*. 8vo. 75 pages, with 6 of prologue, epilogue, &c. 1s. 6d. Becket.

This piece is the production of colonel Dow, a gentleman in the East-India service. It is an Egyptian story, and well written, but the plot not so naturally conducted, as it might have been. The language is in many parts of the piece correct and the thoughts are natural. The prologue by Mr. Cumberland is poetical and descriptive, and the epilogue, by Mr. Garrick, is penned with the spirit, invention and correctness of a true wit, and deserves the greatest encomiums.

327. POEMS. 12mo. 110 pages, 2s. sewed. Printed for the author. Snagg.

Pleasing, but cannot be ranked in the first class. The verse however runs smooth, and the poetry is not incorrect.

328. Two LETTERS on the late applications to parliament by the dissenting ministers: one an address to the dissenting laity on the subject of these applications. The other an enquiry into the lawfulness of the declaration proposed to be substituted in the room of subscription to the articles of the church of England. By JOSHUA TOULMIN, A. M. 8vo. 85 pages. 2s. sewed. Johnson.

These letters convince the reader of the solidity of sound argument. The sentiments are conveyed in a pleasing and forcible style and the work deserves to be ranked in the first class of writings of this sort. In favour of the dissenters.

329. The INFLEXIBLE CAPTIVE. *A tragedy*. By Miss HANNAH MORE. 8vo. 83 pages, with 4 of dedication to the Hon. Mrs. Boscawen, argument, &c. 1s. 6d. Printed at Bristol. Cadell.

Metastasio has an opera upon this subject, which Miss More has followed. It is a Roman story, that of Marcus Attilius Regulus, sacrificing his labours, liberty and life, for the good of his country. The character of Regulus is well written, and a regular series of events, truly historical, render this piece a good performance.

330. *A CANDID STATE of AFFAIRS relative to EAST-INDIA SHIPPING, for the year, 1773. Addressed to the proprietors. By Sir RICHARD HOTHAM. 4to. 35 pages, with 2 of dedication to the proprietors. 2s. Walter.*

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331. *An ATTEMPT to STATE in a short, plain, and IMPARTIAL manner, the PRINCIPAL ARGUMENTS which have been used in the CONTROVERSY betwixt the CHURCH of ENGLAND and PROTESTANT DISSENTERS. 4to. 26 pages, and 2 of preface. 1s. Printed at Cambridge. Dilly.*

This attempt is carefully drawn up, and the different sentiments of christian sects are explained and expatiated on with great accuracy and judgment. The language is good and the work proves itself the production of a learned and well-read author.

332. *QUERIES relating to the BOOK of COMMON-PRAYER, &c. with proposed amendments. Addressed to those in authority and submitted to their consideration. 8vo. 43 pages. 1s. Wilkie.*

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333. *A FAMILIAR EPISTLE to the author of the Heroic epistle to Sir William Chambers, and of the heroic postscript to the public. 4to. 35 pages, with 2 of preface. 1s. 6d. Wilkie.*

The strictures in this poem seem levelled principally at the heroic postscript, which the author here censures, as an imperfect piece. A very indifferent performance.

334. *A POLITICAL SURVEY of BRITAIN: being a series of reflections on the situation, lands, inhabitants, revenues, colonies, and commerce of this island. Intended to shew that we have not as yet approached near the summit of improvement, but that it will afford employment to many generations before they push to*

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their utmost extent the natural advantages of Great Britain. By JOHN CAMPBELL, L. L. D. 2 vols. 4to. 1455 pages, with 6 of preface. 2l. 2s. boards. Printed for the author. Richardson and Urquhart.

In the first part of this work, an enquiry is made and facts given as to the natural advantages, from which some countries have been rendered fertile, prosperous and powerful, while others have quickly declined. The natural prerogatives of these islands are then examined, their excellencies pointed out, confirmed by well known instances and some new improvements suggested: and the inhabitants shewn to have within themselves all things essential to the welfare and grandeur of a people. This done, the author has proceeded to a more minute enquiry into the extent of this country, and has entered into a cursory discussion of the native commodities, and the means by which they may be preserved and improved. We have next the various states of this country in different periods, and their causes traced through the different modes of government. A comprehensive, though a succinct account next follows of our possessions, colonies and settlements abroad, attended with a consideration of our foreign commerce, the interior trade of this kingdom and our different navigations. In short this is a work which Dr. Campbell began before the beginning of the late war, is, as he calls it, the favourite labour of his life, an almost astonishing undertaking for one man to go through, without any guide, and will do honour to his memory as long as printing is in being. It is divided into books and chapters; enriched with valuable notes and authorities, and will be found exceedingly instructive and entertaining.

335. *The HISTORY of ENGLISH POETRY, from the close of the eleventh century; to which are prefixed two dissertations.* 1. On the origin of romantic fiction in Europe. 2. On the introduction of learning into England. By THOMAS WARTON B.D. Fellow of Trinity college Oxford and of the society of antiquaries. Vol. 1. 4to. 468 pages, with 79 of dissertations 8 of preface and 4 of contents. 1l. 1s. boards, Doddsley.

This is a work that Mr. Pope and Mr. Grey both had in view to execute, had they lived a little longer; but the task has fallen on Mr. Warton, and we are happy to find him so adequate to the undertaking. He has drawn up this history in a chronological series and given us specimens of poetry, from the first dawnings of genius, which not only exhibits its gradual improvements, but represents the progression of our language. Many of the citations in this volume are extracted from ancient manuscript poems never before printed and but little known, so that it not only adds to our stock of early literature, but affords fresh

food to the eager antiquarian. The pages are enriched with many important notes and the work will be found entertaining. The dissertations are designed to prepare the reader for the subsequent history. This volume closes with *Chaucer's Canterbury tales*. To be continued.

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TOWN, minister of the gospel at Hobkirk. Never before printed.
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338. *The TRINKET: a novel. By a lady. 2 vols. 12mo. 271 pages. 6s. bound. Lowndes.*

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The poem is written in stanzas, and we wish we could speak in its praise, but the vignette in the title-page is the only thing in our opinion that merits attention.

340. *A DISCUSSION of some IMPORTANT and UNCERTAIN POINTS in CHRONOLOGY. In a series of letters, addressed to the Rev. Dr. Blair, prebendary of Westminster. By JOHN KENNEDY, rector, of Bradley, in Derbyshire. Author of the complete system of a stronomical chronology, unfolding the scriptures. 8vo. 50 pages with 9 of preface. 1s. L. Davis.*

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341. *A COLLECTION of LETTERS and ESSAYS in FAVOUR of PUBLIC LIBERTY, first published in the news-papers, in the years 1764, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69 and 1770. By an amicable band of well-wishers to the religious and civil rights of mankind. 3 vols. 12mo. 820 pages with 14 of preface. 9s. bound. Wilkie.*
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347. *The PATRON. A satire.* 4to. 12 pages. 1s. Flexney.

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353. **The NEWS-PAPER WEDDING**; or an advertisement for a husband. A novel, founded on incidents which arose in consequence of an advertisement that appeared in the Daily Advertiser of July

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355. *A MODEST PLEA for the PROPERTY of COPY-RIGHT.* By CATHERINE MACAULAY. 4to. 39 pages and 3 of preface. 1s. 6d. Printed at Bath. Sold by Dilly in London.

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A bookseller's compilation of some very indifferent writings against Voltaire, in which Rousseau is put over him in a false light, without examining whether that pretension is well or ill founded. The latter part of the work called *L'Egoiste* or confession done between an uncle and his nephew; is as bad as the first part and contains nothing but very common digressions on very common subjects. Full of errors.

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This letter is written by the jesuit Benoit and is one of the deepest productions in the hieroglyphical science extant. It is published by Mr. Needham of the royal society and reflects great honour on that gentleman. It appears from this work that the Egyptian and Chinese languages derived from the same origin, and as a true history of either, will be best made out by a comparing of the two languages ; it is wished that the expences of the enquiry were to be borne by government.

369. *A LETTER to a LAYMAN, on the subject of Mr. Lindsey's proposal for a reformed English church, upon the plan of the late Dr. Samuel Clarke, 8vo. 29 pages. 6d. Wilkie.*

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370. *COLONISING, or a plain investigation of that subject, with a legislative, political and commercial view of our colonies. 4to. 10 pages, with 2 of preface and dedication to the lords and commons, 1s. Brotherton.*

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374. *The PROGRESS of GALLANTRY ; a poetical essay, in three cantos.* 4to. 22 pages. with an engraved vignette in the title. 1s. 6d. Doddsley.

Shewing that gallantry subsists through life, even in childhood, youth and age. Penned in lines of eight syllables. The poetry, passable.

375. *Poeseus Asiaticæ commentarium libri sex, cum apendice ; subjicitur limon seu miscellaneorum liber auctore GULIELMO JONES, A. M. collegii universitatis in academia Oxoniensis, et societatum regiarum Londinensis atque stafniensis socio.* 8vo. 473 pages with 19 of appendix, 41 of miscellanies, 13 of contents, 18 of poem, one of dedication to the university of Oxford, and a copper plate containing an antient cynic ode from Confucius. 9s. boards. Cadell.

These remarks upon Eastern poetry do Mr. Jones great credit. They are curious and well worth the attention of the learned, and give us a great insight into the oriental language. The appendix contains *testamentum morale* of a Persian king, on the duty of a crowned head and a dialogue between an Arabian and an English gentleman on English poetry. The miscellanies are on the writers of the Greek drama, &c. with some observations on Latin verse.

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376. *A GENERAL IDEA of a PRONOUNCING DICTIONARY of the English language on a plan entirely new. With observations on several words that are variously pronounced, as a specimen of the work. Dedicated to David Garrick, Esq. By J. WALKER. 4to. 27 pages and 2 of dedication. 1s. 6d. Becket.*

That our orthography is no standard for pronunciation is most certain, but we doubt whether it will be much helped by a dictionary on this plan, which is to annex to every word, which admits of the least variety, such explications of its sound as refer to such explications, as will determine the pronunciation, as far as an analogy or consistency can determine it. The following is a specimen of the author's manner on the word *orthography*.

OR-THOG'RA-PHY, S. (a system of spelling; spelling with propriety.

Or, as the conjunction *or*. (under which word the sound of *o*. is explained.)

thog. *th*. as in *thank*, rhymes *beg*. (under *thank*. the sharp sound of *th*. is explained.)

ra. as *a* in *idea*, articulated by *r* (under *idea* the *a* following the accent is explained.)

phy. *ph*. as in *physic*, rhymes *sea*. (under *physic*, *ph*. is shewn to be sounded like *f*.)

The executing of this work will be a very arduous task, and when done, we fear will not be of that utility Mr. Walker expects. It is designed to make two volumes in 4to. price one guinea and an half in sheets.

377. *All the PRESCRIPTIONS contained in the new practice of physic of THOMAS MARYAT, M. D. translated into English, by J. S. Dodd, surgeon and man-midwife, member of the corporation of surveyors of London, and surgeon of his majesty's royal navy. With an accurate description of the symptoms of the several diseases, by which they may be known to each other: together with such necessary remarks, cautions, and observations, as may render the administration of these medicines perfectly safe and effectual. A work of great utility, and particularly adapted for such humane and charitable disposed clergy, ladies and gentlemen who live in country places, remote from any medicinal help, and would remedy the diseases of their afflicted neighbours or domestics. To which is added by the translator, directions and medicines for wounds, tumours, strains, bruises, and all such external disorders as do not require manual operation. So as to make this a complete surgical as well as physical family directory. Small 8vo. 142 pages, with 8 of appendix, 6 of index, and 6 of preface. 2s. 6d. Kearsly.*

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F O R M A R C H.

We are of opinion this work will be found exceedingly useful; for Mr. Dodd has not only given us an abridgment of Dr. Maryat's symptoms, but subjoined, where necessary, such remarks upon the doctor's prescriptions, as greatly assist in determining their safety and efficacy.

378. *A FATHER'S LEGACY to his DAUGHTERS. By the late Dr. GREGORY of Edinburgh, 12mo. 132 pages, with 6 of preface. 2s. sewed. Cadell.*

We do not know a more valuable present for a young lady, we would wish to find it in the hands of every one. It contains the best of advice, on the subjects of religion, conduct, amusement, friendship, love and marriage, and is the production of a sensible man, a gentleman, and one who knew the world.

379. *A DESCRIPTION of the FOUR SITUATIONS of a GOUTY PERSON: evincing the danger of trusting the gouty matter to the care of nature. By P. DE VIVIGNIS, M. D. 32 pages, with 7 of prefaces. 1s. Wilkie.*

This pamphlet contains many strictures on Dr. Sydenham's description of the gout, and on the practice of modern physicians. The author insists on the use of medicine, and highly condemns the leaving this disorder to nature. The reader will meet with satisfaction in his perusal of the tract.

380. *AN ENQUIRY into the MOVING POWERS employed in the CIRCULARION of the BLOOD; in a lecture delivered at Newcastle, the 28th of December, 1773, to a large company of the gentlemen of the faculty and others. By ANDREW WILSON, M. D. fellow of the royal college of physicians at Edinburgh. 8vo. 64 pages, with 1 of dedication to Sir John Huxley Delaval. 1s. 6d. Dilly.*

The author, after speaking of the general structure and actions of the heart, he endeavours to prove the following propositions; that it is not the fountain or origin of motion; that blood requires no quantity of motion passing through it; that the arterial motion of the fluids does not depend necessarily on its impulse; that its *momentum* is insufficient to propel the blood to the extent of the arterial circulation and secretions; that they are in fact other powerful agents acting by a mechanical necessity in the humane frame; and that the primary official intention of the agency of the heart, must be very different from the less obvious than supporting the progressive motion of the blood. He concludes with some remarks on the advantages that may spring from his doctrine, with respect to the arrangement

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rangement of diseases arising from arterial obstruction or venous absorption, or some error in the concoction of the fluids. We shall only observe of this work, that it contains a great deal of useful reading.

381. *The MEDICAL MILCELLANY; or a collection of cases, tracts. and commentaries; exhibiting a view of the present state of medical and chirurgical practice, and literature in England. The second edition, with an appendix. By T. TOMLINSON. 8vo. 218 pages, 32 of appendix, and 5 of preface, &c. and dedication to Cæsar Hawkins, Esq; 4s. 6d. boards. Printed at Birmingham. Baldwin.*

In this volume we are favoured with a general view of the present state of the medical and chirurgical practice and literature of this country, and a great variety of cases, with the several publications of physical authors of modern date, together with many extracts from works of note, more particularly calculated for those of the faculty, engaged in an extensive practice. The design of this work was to communicate to the public from time to time, cases and observations in physic and surgery, on the plan of the *London medical essays*, in the publication of which, there was an interruption when this work was begun; but as that publication is going on, and a similar one in Edinburgh taking place. Mr. Tomlinson has dropped his plan, and closed the first volume with an appendix, which contains an imperfect list of medical books, published from 1769 to 1772 inclusive, of a few cases and dissections at St. George's hospital.

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382. BRITISH BIOGRAPHY; or, an accurate and impartial account of the lives and writings of eminent persons in Great-Britain and Ireland; from Wickliffe, who began the reformation by his writings, to the present time: whether statesmen, patriots, generals, admirals, philosophers, poets, lawyers, or divines. In which the several incidents and remarkable actions of their lives and the particularities of their deaths, that could be collected from history, family memoirs, and records, are related; a catalogue of their writings given, with occasional remarks; and their characters delineated with freedom and impartiality. 6 vol. 8vo. 1l. 11s. 6d. boards. Baldwin.

The compiler of these lives has preferred a chronological method of arrangement, rather than an alphabetical one, and he has confined himself to those persons whose names do honour to this country. The work was published in monthly numbers as well as distinct volumes, the first of which appeared many years ago, the second in 1766, the third in 1767, it is now advanced as far as the sixth, and we are told will be completed in two more. Considered as the work of one person only, great labour, as well as time, must have been employed in this compleiment. The 6th volume brings it down to the times of Dryden, Tillotson, &c. and we must not forget to observe that to many of the lives are prefixed prints of the persons, not ill engraved and copied from Howbraken and Vertue's heads of illustrious men.

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383. BURMAN'S LIVES of ASHMOLE and LILLY. Vide articles 1318, vol. ii. 283.

Ashmole was an eminent antiquary, but Lilly was rather a conjurer. Though these papers contain a number of particulars, which, to the lovers of antiquity and literature in general, will be very acceptable, yet the editor Mr. Burman, a near relation of Ashmole, has here recorded many frivolous anecdotes which ought rather to have been conveyed to the temple of Cloacina.

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384. CONSIDERATIONS on the STATE of SUBSCRIPTION, &c. Vide articles 102, 289.

The writer of this tract, from his manner of treating the subject, appears to be a sincere christian, a consistent protestant, and an able advocate for the great cause in which he is so warmly engaged.

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385. *The HISTORY of LORD STANTON.* Vide article 337.

Much superior to the common run of novels, and we can venture to assure our readers that they will not find the time employed in the perusal wholly thrown away. Many of the letters contained in this history, are sensible, spirited, and affecting. This work is to consist of 5 volumes, the last two of which are not yet published. *Monthly Review.*

386. WIELAND'S *HISTORY of AGATHON translated.* Vide article 313.

A pleasing and very singular romance ; written by the author of *Reason triumphant over fancy*, (article 116 ; vol. i.) who is an original genius. *Monthly Review.*

In this novel the author appears evidently to be conversant with ancient and modern writings. His descriptions are picturesque, his reasoning is in general just, and the satire, in which he abounds, is well aimed, but his allusions are some times indelicate, and he has not restrained his imagination from frequently painting in too seducing and agreeable colours those objects which ought to be marked with the reprehension of a moral writer. *Critical Review.*

Not one of those fugitive and trifling pieces which false taste has so much encouraged in the republic of letters, and which are calculated for the amusement of those only who read without reflecting, and who never take up a book, till even indolence itself loses its novelty. The translator appears to have done justice to his original. *London Magaz.*

387. *The FARMER'S LAWYER.* Vide article 90.

This gentleman of Lincoln's Inn, the compiler of the *Modern Parish Officer* (article 1290 ; vol. ii.) will leave his client as ignorant as he found him, with respect to many points on which he may have occasion to consult him. *Monthly Review.*

388. *The IRENARCH.* Vide article 204.

A very excellent pamphlet, and the duties, &c. of a magistrate are enlarged upon and treated in so sensible a manner, that this manual may be recommended to gentlemen in the commission of the peace, as equally profitable to consult for the general outlines of their duty, with Dr. Burn's legal instructions for the respective particulars. *Monthly Review.*

389. *The HISTORY of GREAT BRITAIN, from the first invasion of it by the Romans, under Julius Cæsar.* Written on a new plan.

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plan. By ROBERT HENRY, D. D. one of the ministers of Edinburgh. Vol. II. 4to. 1l. 1s. boards. Printed at Edinburgh. Cadell.

The plan formed by Dr. Henry, is to separate the different parts of history from each other, and to treat, in distinct chapters, on the civil and military transactions of Great-Britain, its religion, constitution, learning, arts, commerce, and manners. In consequence of this plan, the detail of facts is rendered somewhat dry and unentertaining, and that connection, combination and variety of events are wanted, from which historical composition derives its life, spirit and dignity. But, at the same time, this method is admirably adapted to the purposes of specific information and instruction. It attracts likewise, the reader's peculiar attention to certain articles, the knowledge of which is highly useful; and yet they are too much overlooked in general histories. These articles constitute the chief and most valuable parts of the work before us; and it must often be found a singular advantage to be able to have recourse, at once, to whatever concerns any particular subject, with which we may want to be acquainted. Dr. Henry refers to authorities, and as a collection of facts and materials, his history is a work peculiarly useful, and which every gentleman would wish to place in his library, that he may be able to consult it on proper occasions.

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This work contains such a multiplicity of information, as cannot fail of meeting with the approbation and encouragement of all who are desirous of promoting the knowledge of British history. The first volume was published three years ago, that brought down the subject to the year 449; this continues the history to 1066.

Critical Review.

On a plan certainly new, and Dr. Henry has paid uncommon attention in the execution of it

T. and C. Magaz.

Dr. Henry has in this work often held out his own naked assertions in opposition to authorities and the evidence of history, and his concessions in many points are contradictory to his conclusions. It is thus perpetually with authors who examine subjects they cannot comprehend; but the most distinguishing characteristic of this author is the vivacity or wit with which he has attempted to enliven his narration. He is deficient in his information, nor has he compensated this defect, by the elegance of his manner and the beauties of his language. He neither furnishes entertainment nor instruction. Diffuse vulgar and ungrammatical, he strips history of all her ornaments. As an antiquary, he wants accuracy and knowledge, and as an historian, he is destitute of fire, taste and sentiment. His work is a *gazette*, in which we find actions and events without their causes, and in

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which we meet with the names, not the characters, of personages. The mind of his reader is affected with no agreeable emotions it is awakened only to disgust and fatigue.

Edinburgh Magaz.

390. SETHONA. *A tragedy.* Vide article 326.

We do not remember to have found any play so striking and interesting in the representation, and yet so cold, so uninteresting in the perusal

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Improbable, crude and imperfect, and almost an uninterrupted violation of every essential requisite of the drama. The diction is frequently bombast and as often contemptibly vulgar; and through the whole, the author appears to have had the poems of Ossian in his view.

Critical Review.

391. COLMAN'S MAN *of* BUSINESS. Vide articles 226, 291, Unnatural and unworthy of its author. *Monthly Review.*

392. CONSIDERATIONS *on* CERTAIN POLITICAL TRANSACTIONS *of the* PROVINCE *of* SOUTH CAROLINA. Vide article 184.

This pamphlet contains a detail of curious and interesting transactions, and therefore merits particular attention; it being a dispassionate examination into the internal disputes of the colony of South-Carolina.

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393. SCOTT'S LYRIC POEMS. Vide article 374, vol. ii. 297.

We have frequently commended the poetical and critical productions of this ingenious writer, and we have no cause at present to do otherwise.

Monthly Review.

394. *The* JUSTICE, &c. *of* PENAL LAWS *for the* DIRECTION *of* CONSCIENCE EXAMINED. Vide article 237.

Argued with moderation, strength and spirit.

Monthly Review.

395. RATIONAL SELF-LOVE. Vide article 1118, vol. ii.

A kind of commentary on these lines of Pope;

“ *Self-Love and Reason* to one end aspire;
“ Pain their aversion, pleasure their desire;
“ But greedy *that* its object would devour;
“ *This* taste the honey, and not wound the flower:
“ Pleasure, or wrong, or rightly understood,
“ Our greatest evils are our greatest good.”

Essay on Man,

Pertinent and judicious.

Monthly Review.

396. KEN-

F O R A P R I L.

396. KENRICK'S INTRODUCTION to the SCHOOL of SHAKESPEARE. Vide article 229.

The *introduction* is written in the general manner of the author, spirited and ingenious. The *retort courtois* may be very properly peppered and salted for those who feed on news-papers; but we are very sure it will not suit the taste of those to whom Dr. Kenrick would wish principally to recommend himself, either at his lectures or by his writings. *Monthly Review.*

397. PEYTON'S FRENCH TUTOR. Vide article 1301, vol. ii.

This method of teaching the French pronunciation may be of considerable ease to the ear of the learner, but it makes the language appear very awkward to the eye: it looks like Cherokee or Kamitchatkan. *Monthly Review.*

398. MAXIMS for PLAYING WHIST. Vide article 1050, 1281, vol. ii.

Very useful for learners of the game, with the help of a good memory. *Monthly Review.*

399. The ART of JOKING. Vide article 241.

"The jester is the greatest jest of all." *Monthly Review.*

400. OPINIONS concerning the UNIVERSITY of OXFORD, &c. Vide article 92, 295.

Though this pamphlet is of no great weight in point of argument, and may, on some accounts, deserve the retort courtois of ridicule, it is wholly destitute of ingenuity. *Monthly Review.*

401. The POLITE PRECEPTOR. Vide article 88.

The papers here chosen, appear, on the whole, very well fitted for the entertainment and improvement of youth; they are selected from the *Spectator*, *Guardian*, *Female Spectator*, *Prater*, *World*, *Oeconomy of human Life*, *Cunningham's* and *Thomson's Works*, and several of the *Magazines*. *Monthly Review.*

402. A LETTER from a FATHER to his DAUGHTER. Vide articles 93, 173.

With respect to the style, many have treated this subject in a manner superior to that of the present writer, but there are many good, pious and substantial maxims and precepts in this little volume. *Monthly Review.*

403. COOKE'S WAY to the TEMPLE of HONOUR and FAME. Vide article 87.

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The lives of the ancient gods, heroes, and legislators are here given in chronological succession. The real history of these illustrious personages is stripped, as much as possible, of the fabulous circumstances in which they have been enveloped and disguised by the poets and priests of antiquity, and their characters and conduct are held up for our emulation and imitation.

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Useful and entertaining.

Critical Review.

404. DUNCOMBE'S LETTERS of EMINENT MEN deceased, Vol. III. Vide article 165.

See our opinion to the former volumes, (article 140, vol. ii.)

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405. *An APPEAL to the PUBLIC, from the judgement of a certain manager.* Vide articles 220, 300.

These papers serve only to evince the arrogance, peevishness and weakness of the appellant.

Monthly Review.

The old story.—A disappointed author out of temper with a manager because he rejected his piece.

T. and C. Mag.

406. *An EASY WAY to PROLONG LIFE. Second part.* Vide article 212, 301.

The method proposed will, doubtless, be useful, as it is founded upon prudence and judgement.

T. and C. Mag.

407. ROCH'S CANTERBURY PATRIOT. Vide article 91.

A piece of private history.

Monthly Review.

408. CASSELLE'S FRENCH GRAMMAR. Vide article 94.

Agreeable to the title-page.

Monthly Review.

409. *A DESCRIPTION of ENGLAND and WALES. Containing a particular account of each county, with its antiquities, curiosties, situation, extent, climate, rivers, lakes, mineral waters, soils, plants, and minerals, agriculture, civil and ecclesiastical divisions, cities, towns, seats, manufactures, trade, sieges, battles, and the lives of the illustrious men each county has produced. Embellished with 240 copper-plates of palaces, castles, cathedrals; the ruins of Roman and Saxon buildings, and of abbeys, monasteries, and other religious houses. Besides a variety of cuts of urns, inscriptions and other antiquities. 10 vols. 12mo. 1l. 10s. few.* Newbery and Carnan.

A judicious compendium of what tends to give a clear view of the antient and present state of this country; executed with more accuracy and precision than is usually met with in compilations of this nature. The copper-plates are not bad.

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410. *The CIRCUIT of HUMAN LIFE.* Vide *articles* 201, 302.

An imitation of the tablature of Cebes, and though not free from defects, by no means destitute of merit. It is well adapted to entertain and improve the youthful heart. *Monthly Review.*

411. *ABSTRACT of an ACT for AMENDMENT of the HIGHWAYS, 13 of George III. chap. lxxviii. with the schedule of forms, table of daily duty, composition and penalty, from 500l. per ann. to 50l. Form of surveyors account, and a summary of respective duties and other matters. By a Surry Justice. Folio. 1s. 6d. Payne.*

The utility of this abstract will sufficiently appear from what we have said of a similar publication, *Scott's Digest*, article 10. *Monthly Review.*

412. *The MODERN PARISH OFFICER.* Vide *article* 1290.

Crude and imperfect. *Monthly Review.*

413. *A DISCUSSION of LORD CAMDEN'S OPINION in ALLEN and the D. of NEWCASTLE.* Vide *article* 233.

414. *ALLEYNE'S LEGAL DEGREES of MARRIAGE STATED.* Vide *article* 209.

415. *The PETITION of Mr. BOLLAN.* Vide *article* 323.

416. *OLIVER'S SCOURGE to CALUMNY.* Vide *article* 100.

417. *The RATIONAL CHRISTIAN'S ASSISTANT to the WORTHY RECEIVING of the LORD'S SUPPER.* Vide *articles* 107, 182.

The *Monthly Review* passes no opinion on either of the above articles, nor the *Critical* on 415. *Univ. Catal.*

418. *The SEAMAN'S useful FRIEND.* Vide *article* 1328, vol. ii.

Written in a very plain manner, and may be of use to such navigators as have not access to more complete and costly publications. *Monthly Review.*

419. *HARRINGTON'S SCIENCE IMPROVED.* Vide *article* 202.

A compilation, in which the leading principles of the celestial philosophy are familiarly explained and applied to the purposes of religion and virtue. There is a freedom and ease in our author's manner of writing which will render this performance agreeable to juvenile readers; but he has paid little regard to order in the distribution of his materials, and some of his descriptions are obscure and imperfect. *Monthly Review.*

Contributing not a little to remove many impediments, to explore the paths, and to point out the plainest road which lead to astronomical science. *Lond. Magaz.*

The

U N I V E R S A L C A T A L O G U E.

The plates which Mr. Harrington has contrived to illustrate his principles, are ingenious, and to learners will be useful. What he calls his longitudinal dial is a very pretty contrivance, but we think not new. *Gent. Magaz.*

420. *The COMPLETE ENGLISH PEERAGE; or a genealogical and historical account of the peers and peeresses of this realm. By the Rev. FREDERIC BARLOW, M. A. 2 vols. 8vo. 12s. 6d. boards. Evans.*

In the course of this work the characters of many of the present nobility, whether favourable or otherwise, are drawn with great freedom and an air of impartiality. The arms are neatly and accurately engraved, and the mottos translated and explained. Good engravings are given of his majesty and of all the different orders of peers in their parliamentary robes. The state of the several noble families are brought down to the year 1773. *Monthly Review.*

421. WADDINGTON, *on the LONGITUDE.* Vide article 96.

This treatise contains instructions and tables for the use of the sextant and octant in celestial observations, and particularly in those that immediately relate to the longitude. Mr. W. is well acquainted with this subject, both from theory and experience, and the present pamphlet is a valuable addition to what he has already offered to the public. Towards the conclusion, he has given an abstract of the dimensions of the solar system, deduced from the observations of the last transit, together with some general descriptions. *Monthly Review.*

422. NUPTIAL ELEGIES. Vide articles 227, 29.

These elegies contain many good stanzas, and if there were any credit due to poetry, we should venture to pronounce their author a good husband and a good father. *Monthly Review.*

This performance is readable: neither good nor bad in the extreme. *Lond. Mag.*

Morality conveyed in pleasing and harmonious numbers.

T. and C. Mag.

423. GIORGETTI'S TRANSLATION of GAY'S FABLES. Vide 1111, vol. ii,

Executed with spirit, perspicuity, and elegance; and we know not a more useful book for the Italian scholar.

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424. JULIA; a poetical romance. Vide article 174.

A poor versification of Rousseau's celebrated *Nouvelle Heloise*.

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425. The

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425. *The JUVENILIAD.* Vide articles 110, 190.

An honest, but, we fear, ineffectual attempt to expose general vices, imputed to feigned names. The versification is, in general, tolerable, but spoiled by many bad lines.

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326. *WRIGHT'S GRACIOUS WARNING.* Vide article 108.

Dr. Scott was an ingenious and learned man; and would not have been vain of such encomiums as are bestowed upon him in these verses.

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427. *An ELEGIAC EPISTLE from LUCY COOPER to SALLY HARRIS.* Vide article 361.

Rocheſter revived.

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Prurient and indelicate.

Critical Review.

428. *FAITH, a poem.* Vide article 362.

In general, spirited and good, though there is sometimes a sad falling off.

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In general, far from being deficient either in force or harmony.

Critical Review.

429. *An ALARM for illustrious ELECTORS.* Vide article 238.

A zealous declamation in favour of liberty and virtue.

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430. *The POLISH PARTITION ILLUSTRATED.* Vide article 239.

Extremely satirical on the principal interlocutors. The dialogues are admirable, and the pamphlet will serve as a very proper companion to the four celebrated *Letters on the present State of Poland.*

Monthly Review.

Humorous and satirical.

Critical Review.

431. *'T WAS RIGHT TO MARRY HIM.* Vide article 1333, vol. ii. 63.

Dull, and, as such, perfectly innocent.

Monthly Review.

432. *The JOURNEY to LONDON.* Vide article 195.

This history, without one incident that is new to recommend it, is not very ill written.

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The spirit of Sir Francis Wronghead's blundering family is kept up throughout the work.

T. and C. Mag.

433. *The ASSIGNATION.* Vide article 1332, vol. ii. 64.

The pages are very scanty of matter, but this is a perfection

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434. *The FATAL AFFECTION.* Vide article 192.

The duce take such vile *affections* as these. *Monthly Review.*

435. *La BELLE PHILOSOPHE.* Vide article 193.

Insipid.

Monthly Review.

The writer of these volumes is not destitute of imagination, and it must be owned, they will rouse the attention and amuse, if they do not instruct.

T. and G. Mag.

436. *The FASHIONABLE DAUGHTER.* Vide articles 116, 194

This story appears to be really a relation of true facts, and the scene of action is the town of Greenock. It does not contain adventures enough for a professed novel, and is to be viewed rather as a narrative, than as a literary composition.

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437. *A LETTER to the BISHOP of LANDAFF.* Vide article 230

There is a vein of pleasantry and humour that runs through this whole performance, which cannot fail of recommending it to the generality of readers, and there are some strokes of wit which will extort a smile even from four ecclesiastics. But the pleasantry of the letter is not its only recommendation, it breathes a liberal and manly spirit, and shews the author to be a man of abilities and a hearty friend to religious liberty. There are some things in it of a very serious nature, which well deserve the attention of every bishop.

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Rather satirical than argumentative.

Critical Review.

438. *TOULMIN'S two LETTERS on the DISSENTERS APPLICATION to PARLIAMENT.* Vide article 328.

Candid, liberal and judicious.

Monthly Review.

439. *ARCANA.* Vide article 101.

The author, though not an elegant writer, appears to be a very sensible man; and there are many striking, curious, pertinent and entertaining observations in his letters.

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440. *BELL'S LETTER to MR. BOWMAN.* Vide article 130
vol. ii.

The doctrines of predestination, original sin, &c. are here smartly attacked, by a man of plain good sense, without any pretensions to learning.

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441. *A LETTER to a LAYMAN, &c.* Vide article 369.

A vehement declamation against the established church, chiefly on account of her Tritheism.

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The *Critical Review*, on this article, passes no opinion.
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442. LOOSE HINTS on NONCONFORMITY. 109.

Written with more severity than civility. *Monthly Review.*

443. ORTON'S CHRISTIAN ZEAL. Vide article 106.

Plain, sensible, and persuasive. *Monthly Review.*

444. The BISHOP of CHESTER'S SERMON before the LORDS. Vide article 320.

Sensible, moderate, and abounding with useful reflections on the unhappy consequences of despotic attempts to subvert the natural or constitutional rights of a people, *on the one hand*, —and on the mischiefs arising from the spirit of discord, sedition, and fanaticism, *on the other.* *Monthly Review.*

Manly, classical, judicious and instructive.

Critical Review.

445. QUINTILIAN'S INSTITUTES of the ORATOR. In 12 books. Translated from the original latin, according to the Paris edition of professor Rollin, and illustrated with critical and explanatory notes, by J. PATSALL M. A. 2 vols. 8vo. 4s6 with 2 of preface. 12s. bound. Law.

This appears to be a tolerable good translation. Rollin's edition retrenches the less necessary parts, and Mr. Patfall has followed it, comparing it with the edition of bishop Gibson. Mr. Guthrie's translation is exceptionable in some respects which seems here to be avoided. We cannot help observing there is a stiffness in Mr. Patfall's language. The author tells us he translated Quintilian 40 years ago, but finding it imperfect he destroyed that and has now completed a second time

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A translation preferable upon the whole to that of Mr. Guthrie.

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446. A GEOMETRICAL TREATISE of the CONIC SECTIONS, in which the properties of the sections are derived from the nature of the cone, in an easy manner, and by a new method. By HUGH HAMILTON, A. M. dean of Armagh. Vide article 32.

It must be acknowledged that the translator has acquitted himself very well in his department, having generally given the true sense and manner of his original, which was first published in 1758.

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447. FRAGMENTS relating to the late revolutions in India, the death of Count Lally and the prosecution of Count de Morangies. 8vo. 2s. 6d. sewed. Nourse.

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The *Critical Review* gives only some account of the contents of this volume, which is a translation of article 211.

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448. ELLIS'S HISTORICAL ACCOUNT of COFFEE. Vide article 311.

The professed design of this performance is to promote science, national advantage, and the prosperity of the island of Dominica. After giving a botanical description of the flower and fruit of the coffee-tree, Mr. Ellis proceeds to the history of the plant, and from the various observations in this tract, it appears that Britain could be supplied from her American colonies with coffee, equal in quality to what is imported from Turkey, and in quantity more than sufficient for our purpose.

Critical Review.

449. WHITEHEAD'S PLAYS. Vide article 366.

We may venture to affirm, from the many pieces in this collection, that posterity will consider the author as not undeservedly advanced to the honourable distinction which he holds, and be of opinion that he has a claim to the palm of poetical genius, independent of the rank of Laureat.

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450. A DISCOURSE on the BEST METHOD of PROSECUTING MEDICAL ENQUIRIES; delivered before the medical society of London, at their annual meeting on Tuesday January 18, 1774, and published at their request. By JAMES SIMS, M. D. F. M. S. 8vo. 2s. Johnson.

The subject of this discourse is the contested claim to superiority, which commenced so many ages ago, and seems not yet to be determined, between the respective abettors of theory and experience in the practice of physic, and the tract is chiefly employed in delineating the various hypotheses which have been successively maintained by physicians, with the consequences resulting from them.

Critical Review.

By the author of article 470, vol. ii.

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451. ROBERTS'S POEMS. Vide article 346.

Valuable.

Critical Review.

452. MACAULAY'S PLEA for COPY-RIGHT. Vide article 355.

We have here some interesting anecdotes and several observations of considerable weight in the important cause of literary property.

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Elegant, just, pleasing and pertinent.

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453. *The THEOLOGICAL REPOSITORY, consisting of original essays, hints, queries, &c. calculated to promote religious knowledge. 3 vol. 8vo. 18s. boards. Johnson.*

This work was undertaken with the concurrence of several learned and ingenious dissenters, and published under the immediate direction of the celebrated Dr. Priestley. It was meant to be a common channel of communication, and to be open for the reception of all new observations relative to theology. Some of the most considerable articles in the first volume are the following.

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Defence of the Arian hypothesis.

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454. WYNNE'S FOUR SEASONS. Vide article 264.

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An imitation of *Thomson's Seasons*, in rhyme; but poor and wretched in comparison to that. *Critical Review.*

455. SAINT THOMAS'S MOUNT. Vide article 218.

The scene delineated in lively and harmonious numbers. *Critical Review.*

456. OTAHEITE, a poem. Vide article 228.

After expatiating on the motives and effects of voyages to distant regions, many of which the author of this poem describes in animated strains, he gives us a representation of the inhabitants of Otaheite, whose life and manners are delineated with great warmth and force of imagination. The whole discovers a considerable degree of poetical genius.

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457. HULL'S RICHARD PLANTAGENET. Vide article 339.

Written in a descriptive strain of elegiac verse, and exhibiting a venerable example of passive fortitude and resignation to the will of heaven. The engraving represents Richard III. communicating to young Plantagenet the secret of his birth.

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458. ODE to LORD NORTHAMPTON. Vide article 1335, vol. ii. 261.

Beautiful description, just panegyric, and dignity of sentiment are here united in elegant stanzas. In short, this ode is greatly superior in poetical merit to the common strain of complimentary verses, nor is it less remarkable for the excellence of the precepts addressed to the children of the noble lord.

Critical Review.

459. COLONIZING. Vide article 370.

This writer is an advocate for the power of the British government over all our colonies, though he enters not deeply into the subject, his arguments are rational, but their force is frequently diminished by an uncouthness of stile. *Critical Review.*

The differences subsisting between us and the colonies have given rise to many publications. We do not find any thing in this pamphlet very great or very new on the subject.

London Magaz.

460. LITERARY LIBERTY CONSIDERED. Vide article 319.

This author judiciously distinguishes the salutary liberty, from the pernicious licentiousness of the press, the latter of which he imputes chiefly to the printers of the news-papers.

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461. *An ESSAY concerning the ESTABLISHMENT of a NATIONAL BANK in IRELAND.* 8vo. 51 pages. 1s. Robinson.

This sensible essayist points out, in a manner that appears to us satisfactory, the advantages which would accrue to Britain and Ireland from the establishment of a national bank in the latter kingdom. The objects of such an establishment are, the furnishing money to borrowers upon more reasonable terms; the raising the grand pledge of land in Ireland one fourth or one third more; and the assuring to the whole community the never-failing value of the small diminutive pledges that are daily passing from hand to hand.

Critical Review.

462. *ANIMADVERSIONS on a late TREATISE on the KINC-COUGH.* Vide article 244.

This writer combats, in a rational manner, the pathological opinions of Dr. Butter, and his remarks are worthy of attention.

Critical Review.

463. *VYSE'S KEY to the TUTOR'S GUIDE.* Vide article 1194 vol. ii. 31.

A curious, useful and entertaining collection of solutions to all the questions proposed in the *Tutor's Guide*, a work written by the author of this article.

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464. *POEMS, chiefly rural; containing, 1. odes, Idyllions, and Anacreontics; 2. rural tales; 3. Runny-mead; 4. Corsica; 5. elegy on the death of a lady; 6. miscellaneous verses; 7. the progress of melancholy.* 12mo. 2s. Printed at Glasgow.

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465. *POEMS, by the author of The Sentimental Sailor; containing Arthur's feat; elysium, a dream; of poetry, an epistolary essay.* 4to. 3s. 6d. boards. Printed at Edinburgh. Dilly.

These poems declare the author to have a bold and copious invention, fine colouring, and great poetic powers. Vide article 1459, vol. i.

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466. *The HISTORY of WALES.* *Written originally in British by* CARADOC of LLANCARVAN, *englished by* Dr. POWELL and *augmented by* W. WYNNE, *Fellow of Jesus College, Oxon. To which is added a description of Wales, by* SIR JOHN PRICE. A new edition, greatly improved and enlarged with pedigrees of families. 8vo. 329 pages of history, with 64 of appendix, containing state papers, the chief of which are in Latin, 43 of description of Wales, 37 of preface, 1 of dedication to Sir Watkin Wynne, and 16 of contents. 6s. bound. Evans.

This is a dry unentertaining history continued from Cadwallader the last king of the Britons that had any sovereignty in Wales in 690, to the death of Llewellyn, when it was annexed to the crown of England in 1284; but it is that which can be relied on. The pedigrees added to this edition, are those of the 12 knights to whom Robert Fitzhamon parcelled out the lordship of Glamorgan in 1091, of which he was then possessed, for their services; a regular descendant of one of whom, and in possession of his part, and now living, is John Gamage, Esq; lord of Coyty. The pedigrees are traced down to the extinction of the several families.

467. *New REFLECTIONS on the ERRORS COMMITTED by BOTH SEXES, BEFORE and AFTER MARRIAGE.* *By a young lady.* 8vo. 48 pages, with 3 of dedication to lady Mary Fox. 1s. Bew.

This young lady (Miss F. P.) is a very sensible one, and well acquainted with life. The tract contains some exceeding good advice for young people both after marriage and in the time of courtship, and if, attended to, would be productive of much happiness in a state of wedlock.

468. *The PRESENT STATE of the BRITISH EMPIRE; containing a description of the kingdoms, principalities, islands, colonies, conquests, and of the military and commercial establishments under the British crown in Europe, Asia, Africa, and America.* *By the late Rev. JOHN ENTICK, M. A. and other gentlemen. Illustrated with maps of the several kingdoms, provinces, islands, settlements, &c. therunto belonging, engraved from the best authorities, by T. Kitchen.* 4 vols. 8vo. 1913 pages, 8 of preface and 42 of contents. 1l. 4s. boards. Law.

This work is a compilation, but whether upon a better plan than former publications of this nature is a question. It ought to be the best extant, having the materials of others to proceed with; but we doubt whether it will be found so or not.

it seeming to have copied the errors of former compilers. Indeed the matter is brought further down to the present time, and as such will have the preference. The first volume contains the state of this kingdom in its trade, manufactures, customs, religion, navy, laws, parliament, revenue, &c. The second and third contain a survey of England and Wales, proceeding alphabetically according to the counties, and each county is treated of in the following manner; name, boundaries, air, soil, produce, rivers, government, and its different towns described, their situation, antiquity, buildings, government, manufactures, &c. the fourth volume takes in Scotland, Ireland, our islands, colonies, and settlements abroad, with some account of the empire of China. The maps are nine in number.

469. *An exact and circumstantial HISTORY of the BATTLE of FLODDON. In verse. Written about the time of Queen Elizabeth. In which are related many particular facts not to be found in the English history. Published from a curious manuscript in the possession of John Askew, of Polinsburn, in Northumberland, Esq; with notes. By ROBERT LAMBE, vicar of Norham upon Tweed. 8vo. 126 pages, with 107 of historical notes, 49 of appendix, 1 of inscription to John Askew, Esq; and an engraved frontispiece representing a sword and dagger of James IV. king of Scotland, which he fought with at the above battle. 4s. sewed. Printed at Berwick. Dilly.*

The account of Floddon battle is written in stanzas of eight syllables, and seems to be penned not later than the reign of queen Elizabeth. We cannot say much for the harmony of the lines, but if we consider the state of poetry in those days, we shall not wonder at their uncouthness. The obsolete words are explained in the notes, which appear to us to be the most valuable part of the work; they are, in general, historical, instructive, and entertaining, and give us some fresh light into the history of the times they refer to. The notes are not wholly confined to the text, but contain some rambling observations on different subjects. In the course of them, Mr. Lambe has explained many passages in Shakespeare, which have hitherto been misinterpreted. This he has been enabled to do, by an acquaintance with the Scotch language, or old English, many of whose phrases Shakespeare evidently borrowed. He has also given us an explanation of a passage in Homer which Pope has mistaken. The appendix contains two or three historical ballads written in early ages, and among other things the valuation of the bishoprick of Durham in 1534.

470. *The CHAINS of SLAVERY. A work wherein the clandestine and villainous attempts of princes to ruin liberty are painted out*
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out, and the dreadful scenes of despotism disclosed. To which is prefixed an address to the electors of Great-Britain, in order to draw their timely attention to the choice of proper representatives in the next parliament. Royal 4to. 259 pages, with 8 of address and 4 of contents. 12s. sewed. Becket.

The design of this work is to bring into one point of view the various attacks that have been made upon public freedom, in this country and the neighbouring ones. But in doing this, the author, who no doubt is a sensible man, has not been very full or explicit; he has given us only heads as it were, without reasoning on them. We cannot but think he is too severe in his observations and that he carries matters to too great lengths. He construes almost every act of a state into a scheme of despotism and goes so far as to say, that all acts of public utility are designed only to cover purposes. He has, 'tis true, supported what he advances by particular instances from history; but that by no means makes the matter general. He reasons, however, too justly on the abuse of our own laws, and gives us cause to be alarmed at some steps that are taken.

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This work is too well known to need any account from us. The appendix to this edition contains a few hints to the legislature; such as pointing out the misfortune of enclosing town-fields, and adding farm to farm; recommending a tax upon dogs, an act for one standard of weights and measures through the kingdom; an act for a general use of broad-wheeled wag-gons, two to roll within two, an act to make game private property, and another to limit the size of farms.

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ment contracts, which always take place at a time when that article is supposed to be cheapest. He declares that the contractors are ever taken in by the dealers; that genuine, pure wheat is never sold to government, but such as will lose two pounds in the bushel. The worst corn being thus got off, the best is constantly raised in its price, 3s. a quarter. Now he recommends that government buy their own wheat when it is cheap and preserve it in granaries, avering, they will not only save a deal of money to the state, but will not be the occasion of raising the price of wheat. Their advertisement for a contract, he says, is a farce, for the dealers on the corn-exchange determine among themselves who shall have a part in such and such a contract; by which means, no tenders are put in but one, and the contractor is imposed on. He totally exculpates the bakers.

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478. *SELECT LETTERS on the TRADE and GOVERNMENT of AMERICA; and the principles of law and polity, applied to the American colonies. Written by GOVERNOR BERNARD at Boston, in the years 1763, 4, 5, 6, and 8. Now first published. To which are added, The petition of the assembly of Massachusetts Bay against the governor; his answer thereto, and the order of the king in council thereon.* 8vo. 130 pages. 2s. sewed. Payne.

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482. POEMS, by Mr. POTTER. 12mo. *Writing paper*. 147 pages, 3s. *sewed*. Wilkie.

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486. *A FREE ADDRESS to PROTESTANT DISSENTERS, on the subject of the LORD'S SUPPER; and a Letter to the author of the Protestant Dissenters answer to it: by JOSEPH PRIESTLEY, LL. D. F. R. S. The THIRD edition, with improvements.* 8vo. 94 pages, with 20 of letter, and 12 of preface, 2s. Johnson.

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is clear, the language neat, and the arguments from scripture irrefutable. In short, its having gone through three editions, is some confirmation of its literary merit, and plainly shews the general approbation of the sentiments contained in it. The improvements were the consequence of the *Protestant Dissenters answer*.

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vours to open to our ideas the liberty of acting both civil and religious. This treatise is very well digested, and the writer appears to have taken great pains in treating the subject, which is no easy matter to manage with clearness and propriety.

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494. *HERO and LEANDER, a poem, from the Greek of Musaeus 4to. 20 pages, with 8 of notes, 5 of preface, and one of inscription.*

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scription to the memory of Mr. William Falconer, author of the Shipwreck, a poem. 2s. Ridley.

The production of Edward Burnaby Green, Esq; a gentleman who has favoured the public with several pretty pieces of poetry, translations, &c. and this no way discredits his former publications. Musæus lived 500 years before Homer, about 1500 years before Christ. It is penned in blank verse. The story is well known.

495. *SKETCHES of the HISTORY of MAN.* 2 vols. 4to. 1026 pages, with 7 of preface and contents. 2l. 2s. bound. Printed at Edinburgh. Cadell.

We have not met with a more instructive or a more entertaining work for many years. By *Sketches of History* the author would give us to understand, that though he began to collect materials for a natural history of man, above thirty years ago, he found himself inadequate to the task, and his abilities scarcely sufficient for these imperfect sketches, which are the substance of various speculations that occasionally enlivened his leisure hours. They turn on the progress of men as individuals, on the progress of men in society, and on the progress of sciences; from a savage state, to the present civilized one. These general heads are branched out into various parts, under each of which we have the result of very extensive reading, and little advanced but what carries a form of plausibility. The only objection we have to this writer is, that in some places he is rather indelicate in his expressions, but upon the whole, we may venture to pronounce his work a masterly performance, calculated to improve and amuse the general class of readers. An English translation is subjoined of all quotations from other languages, and an appendix is added, containing sketches concerning Scotland.

496. *A SPECIMEN of PERSIAN POETRY; or odes of Hafez, with an English translation and paraphrase.* Chiefly from the *Specimen Poeseos Perlicæ* of Baron Revizki, envoy from the Emperor of Germany to the court of Poland. With historical and grammatical illustrations, and a complete analysis, for the assistance of those who wish to study the Persian language. By JOHN RICHARDSON, F. A. S. 4to. 68 pages, with 15 of preface. 5s. 3d. boards. Printed and sold by the author, No. 76, Fleet-street.

This work consists of three short Persian odes, penned by Hafez, or Mohammed Shemseddin, a person of distinction, who died about the year 1394, at Shiraz; Mr. Richardson, who is a printer, and we believe a nephew of the late celebrated Mr. Richardson, author of *Pamela*, &c. has been studying the Persian language for these two years past, and the contents of these pages formed part of his exercises. The odes are first given in

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the Persian language; a poetical paraphrase follows each of them, which if written by Mr. R. do him great credit; this is succeeded by a literal prose translation, with each word numbered, referring to the original; and this translation again, by an analysis, or observations on each word, with explanatory notes. It will serve to forward a study of the Eastern languages.

497. *The HISTORY of the REVOLUTIONS of DENMARK, with an account of the present state of that kingdom and people.* By JOHN ANDREWS, LL. D. 2 vols. 8vo. 655 pages, with 297 of appendix and 4 of preface. 12s. bound. Nourse.

The author of these volumes acquaints us that such events and transactions are here selected, as set the character of the Danes in a clear and compendious light, without taking off the reader's attention to such details as are common in the annals in every nation; and that the utmost care has been used to steer impartially amid the various writers from whom the facts are collected, and on which he has thrown out such reflections as arose from the subject. It is rather a general history, not descending to particulars, and is brought down only to the year 1766, but it is well written. An appendix is added, containing remarks on the laws and internal government of Denmark.

498. *LETTERS written by the late right honourable Philip Dormer Stanhope, EARL of CHESTERFIELD, to his son PHILIP STANHOPE, Esq; late envoy at the court of Dresden. Together with several other pieces on various subjects. Published by Mrs. EUGENIA STANHOPE, from the originals now in her possession.* 2 vols. 4to. 1174 pages, with 2 of dedication to lord North, and 5 of advertisement, with an engraving of the author's head, by Vitals. 2l. 2s. boards. Doddsley.

These letters were written between the years 1738 and 1769. Mr. Stanhope was the natural son of Lord Chesterfield, and they were penned with a view of forwarding his education. Some of them are adapted to the capacity of a child, being written when Mr. Stanhope was little more than 7 years old. They improve in diction as that gentleman grew in years. In these letters lord Chesterfield endeavours to inculcate good principles and sound religion, to give his son a perfect knowledge of the dead languages, by an acquaintance with the best ancient authors; a general idea of science, and a thorough insight into mankind. Mrs. Stanhope, the editor and widow of this natural son, assures us there is not a single line in these volumes that did not flow from his lordship's pen; and if so, it will be unnecessary to say the publication enriches the stock of literature. Some of the letters are in French, but Mrs. Stanhope has added a translation. Others were written to her husband when minister abroad, and others again to herself. By way of appendix, some miscellaneous pieces of lord Chesterfield are added.

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499. RETALIATION: *a Poem, by DOCTOR GOLDSMITH; including epitaphs on the distinguished wits of this metropolis.* 4^{to}. 12 pages, with 3 of letter to the publisher, and a vignette (a bust of the author, a good likeness) in the title-page. 1s. 6d. Kearsly.

Dr Goldsmith belonged to a club of *beaux esprits*, where wit sparkled at the expence of good nature. It was proposed to write epitaphs on the Doctor; his country, dialect, &c. furnished subjects of witticisin. The Doctor was called on for *retaliation*, and at the next meeting produced this fragment of a poem. It is written in lines of twelve syllables, and satirizes the dean of Kerry, Edmund, William and Richard Burke, Esqrs. the author of the *West-Indian*, and Sir Joshua Reynolds. It is far from being a finished piece. The whole poem has appeared in the *Morning Post*.

500. HENRY and EMMA, *a new poetical interlude, altered from Prior's nut-brown maid, with additions and a new air and chorus, (the music by Dr. Arne) as performed on Wednesday April 13, 1774. at the Theatre-Royal in Covent-Garden, for the benefit of Mrs. Hartley.* 8vo. 14 pages and 2 of advertisement, &c. 6d. Davies.

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These two articles are evidently written by the same person, who wrote article 1190, vol. ii. which see, they being on the same imperfect plan.

504. *A SYNOPSIS of all the DATA for the CONSTRUCTION of TRIANGLES, from which geometrical solutions have hitherto been in print, with references to the authors where those solutions are to be found.* By JOHN LAWSON, B. D. Rector of Swanscombe in Kent. 4to. 16 pages, with 5 of advertisement, &c. 1s. Printed at Rochester. Nourse.

All that we need say upon this article is, that as fresh problems are continually proposed to the public, this work will never be complete. By the author of article 291, vol. ii.

505. *PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS, giving some account of the present undertakings, studies, and labours of the ingenious in many parts of the world. Vol. LXIII. Part II. Small 4to. 263 pages with 20 of contents, index and donors names, with 20 copper-plates in Parts I. and II. 7s. 6d. sewed.* L. Davis.

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2. Observations on the Lagopus, by Daines Barrington.
3. Account of the effects of lightning at Steeple-Ashton, Wilts. June 20, 1772. by Edw. King, Esq.
4. Observations on a sparry incrustation by ditto.
5. Experiments and observations on the singing of birds, by D. Barrington.
6. Account of the Tokay and other Hungarian wines, by Sylv. Douglas, Esq.
7. On the red globules of the blood, by Mr Hewson.
8. Account of the effects of a thunder-storm, March 5. 1773, on Lord Tylney's house at Naples, by Sir William Hamilton.
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12. Account of a new Hygrometer, by Mr. J. A. De Luc of Geneva.
13. Of the electric property of the Torpedo, by John Walsh, Esq.
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In the first part of this book, we have a cursory explanation of the animal œconomy adapted to the capacity of most readers. The author, previous to his considerations on the nature, cause, and cure of diseases, endeavours to prove the insufficiency of theory, from the little knowledge we have of the nature, and properties of the animal fluids. He speaks very freely on abuses introduced

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introduced between the physician and apothecary, and lays open their mercenary practice. This production shews the author to be a man of reading and experience. In the latter part of it he speaks very highly of a medicine in his possession, and which he promises to make public for the benefit of the community, after its merit shall be fully established.

517. *The PRACTICAL GRAMMAR ; or an easy way to understand English. In which the rules are laid down in a manner entirely new ; and the whole rendered so easy, familiar and entertaining, that a child of only eight years of age may be perfectly initiated into a knowledge of the English tongue, with the greatest expedition and pleasure. To which is added a poetical epitome of grammar for the help of memory, with a supplement containing examples of bad English to be turned into good, with the good opposite, in order to illustrate every rule of syntax, or the composition of sentences ; and a short English grammar, upon the plan of the Latin, for the use of such as are designed for the study of that language. Throughout the whole, whatever is new is delivered in an easy, agreeable manner ; and what was before known, is placed in a light quite new and amusing. By THOMAS SMETHAM, master of the academy at Southgate, and late master of the boarding-school at Pender's-End. 12mo. 152 pages, with 12 of preface and 1 of contents ; and by way of frontispiece an engraved table, containing a scale of the parts of speech, &c. 1s. 6d. bound in buckram. Cooke.*

The principal thing that is new in this work is, that example is drawn from objects which children naturally have in their thoughts. The poetical epitome, and the examples of bad English to be turned into good, we have seen before. The short grammar in the manner of the Latin one, seems to be the best part of the work. To say this volume will not be useful will be idle, but to say it will be more useful than many others, would be advancing more than is true.

518. *The DOUBLE DISAPPOINTMENT, or the HISTORY of CHARLES MARLOW. In a series of letters. 2 vols. 12mo. 439 pages. 6s. bound. Hookman.*

The story on which this little piece is built, is, in our opinion well chosen, the language tolerable, nor is it destitute of sentiment. This is as much as we can venture to say concerning it.

519 *LETTERA dell' avvocato FRUSTABIRBE, indirizzata al Signor ANTONIO SACCHINI Maestro di Cappella. 8vo. 93 pages. 5s. Supposed to be printed at Rome. Typographical Society.*

An enormous price is put upon this pamphlet, and it no way interests the public, being an illiberal attack on Sacchini the fidler,

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fidler, for refusing to set an opera of Badini's to music. Barretti and some others are also lashed. There is an attempt at wit in this piece, but it is merely an attempt.

520. *THE FUGITIVE MISCELLANY. Being a collection of such fugitive pieces, in prose and verse, as are not in any other collection. With many pieces never before published. 12mo. 182 pages, with 4 of contents. 2s. 6d. sewed. Almon.*

A continuation of article 998, vol. i. under a new title.

521. *A SERMON preached at the opening of the chapel in Essex-
House, Essex-street, in the Strand, on Sunday, April 17, 1774.
By THEOPHILUS LINDSEY, M. A. To which is added, a sum-
mary account of the reformed liturgy on the plan of the late Dr.
Samuel Clarke, made use of in the said chapel. 8vo. 30 pages.
6d. Johnson.*

Mr. Lindsey, the author of article 127, has converted an auction-room into a chapel, in which he has introduced a new form of prayer, made up out of the old, with some additions of his own. It is adapted to exclude the idea of the Trinity. The text of the sermon is Ephes. iv. 3. To the sermon are added the prayers he made use of both before and after it.

522. *A PLAN to RECONCILE GREAT-BRITAIN and her COLONIES, and preserve the dependency of America. 8vo. 40 pages, with 14 of dedication to the Duke of Northumberland. 1s. Almon.*

The production of a Mr. Cawthorne, a political but a very unsettled writer. The plan here proposed is to grant the colonies liberty to have manufactures of their own and a foreign trade in British vessels, under the sanction of their own representation and taxation. The tract is not ill-written.

523. *A NEW and EASY METHOD of FINDING the LONGITUDE at sea, with like accuracy that the latitude is found. Adapted to general use. By T. KEAN. 8vo. 41 pages, with 4 of preface and 1 of contents. 1s. 6d. Nourse.*

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524. SCHOLA ITALICA PICTURÆ.----*The Italian School of Painting; consisting of 40 prints, taken from the works of all the great Italian masters; beginning with MICHAEL ANGELO, and ending with the CARACCI. Executed under the inspection of Mr. HAMILTON at Rome; by the most eminent engravers. Published by Mr. HAMILTON. Folio. Grand paper. 4l. 14s. 6d. J. Bell.*

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Monthly Review.

25. MORE'S INFLEXIBLE CAPTIVE. *Vide article 329.*

The *Regulus*, like the rest of the Metastasio's works, abounds, almost every where, with those fine moral distinctions so peculiar to his genius and his manner. Miss More has, in all instances, supported, in many, improved upon, the sense and spirit of the Italian poet; and where she has found it necessary to have recourse to herself, and enlarge the original plan, she has done it with a degree of judgment that could be expected only from every privilege of experience, with a degree of genius which leaves not even Metastasio to look down upon her.

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26. OBSERVATIONS on the POWER of CLIMATE over the POLICY, &c. of NATIONS. *Vide article 281.*

The title-page of this tract has very little affinity with the work that follows it. If the nature of climates is any where incidentally hinted, that a nation lies northerly or southerly is thought to be a sufficient description. Two countries only are particularly specified, Poland and South-Britain, and even these are very imperfectly treated of. However, if we meet with very little to the purpose, relating to the power of climate, we find, towards the latter end of this tract, some good hints respecting the power of a justice of peace.

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527. LORD CHESTERFIELD'S LETTERS to his SON. Vide article 498.

Lord Chesterfield was a man of good sense and lively parts; he had a perfect knowledge of mankind, was a complete gentleman and a delightful companion; in fine, he possessed those rare talents and amiable qualities which could not fail of procuring him the admiration and the love of all who had the happiness of enjoying his friendship, or sharing his conversation. These letters prove our assertions to be true. Such as were written to his son when under the age of fifteen, are adapted to the capacity of a child, without containing any thing childish. In this respect they may be said, in some measure, to resemble the literary correspondence of count Tessin with the prince-royal of Sweden. In short, we could fill a whole volume of reviews with the curious and instructive materials in these valuable pages, the subjects rising in importance as we proceed in the series. *Monthly Rev.*

Every page of this valuable work brings to recollection this admired nobleman, the writer, so universally esteemed the finished model of a complete gentleman and able statesman. We are reminded by his instructions that he was himself an elegant pattern of all he recommends, and the allowed standard of taste, wit, politeness, and every brilliant and solid quality which can adorn the man of sense, of letters, and of fashion. Such was the all-accomplished nobleman who here unites the tenderness of an indulgent parent with the abilities of a wise teacher, to conduct in the paths of knowledge, virtue and honour, a favourite son, whose welfare would seem to constitute his supreme happiness. Whether he playfully instructs the child in the first rudiments of knowledge, or more gravely admonishes the man to pursue the higher duties of human wisdom, we equally admire the hand of a master: wit, humour, argument, eloquence, entreaty, persuasion, are all employed to enforce his precepts. Every motive is suggested, every passion roused which can prompt, impel, and stimulate to the end proposed, and with the happiest application to the age, capacity, disposition, and behaviour of his pupil. Perhaps his lordship's morality may sometimes be deservedly censured. The opinions which he entertains of human nature are unfavourable, and his ethics would seem to be accommodated to these opinions. They may possibly be thought better calculated to form the sly, cautious, and artful behaviour of a courtier, than the liberal and generous manners of a gentleman. *Critical Review*

These letters were written from a parent to his son, with a view of furnishing him with the most valuable treasures of ancient and modern learning, and adding that knowledge

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men and things, which Lord Chesterfield had acquired by long and great experience. *Gent. Mag.*

This collection of above four hundred of Lord Chesterfield's letters, though not intended by him for public view, will do him no discredit, but rather add to his character, both as an epistolary writer and an affectionate parent. Some of the letters might have been omitted; however, the reader will not repent of the time he spends in perusing them. The work cannot be called a perfect system of education, but it contains many valuable articles of instruction both for private and public life, adapted to the capacity of a child of seven years old, and rising gradually to the abilities of youth and riper age. In brief, they are calculated to form the man, the accomplished courtier, an orator in the senate, and a minister in foreign courts. Another advantage is, the reader discovers in the letters the real sentiments of that great man on several interesting subjects of national concern. *Lond. Mag.*

Forming a complete system of education, the plan of which is equally novel, practicable and useful. *Westminster Mag.*

528 GREGORY'S FATHER'S LEGACY to his DAUGHTERS.

Vide article 378.

The amiable author of this small volume, who, while living, was not less respected for his talents than beloved for the qualities of his heart, intended these advices as the last proof of his affection to his daughters. In all his writings, his principal view was the good of his fellow-creatures, and to the wish of a son to contribute to that general design, the public is indebted for a very acceptable present. The author has classed his observations under four general heads, religion,---conduct and behaviour----amusements----friendship, love and marriage; and on each of these subjects, so far as the female sex are interested in them, in the early part of life, he has made many pertinent and judicious remarks, arising naturally from his subjects and situation; and he has communicated them in an easy and unaffected style. In short, the author's opinions, in this elegant composition, are of the highest importance in life, are manly and sensible, far from being trite or vulgar, and have sometimes a novelty of sentiment in matters of the most common discussions. We cannot, therefore, but recommend an attentive and repeated perusal of them to the ladies in general; for though professedly written for the instruction of a daughter, the volume will be found to contain many points extremely proper for the consideration of a parent. *Monthly Review.*

The maxims and advices here classed are important and just, the dictates of a mind which (from our personal knowledge of the author, we can say) was long inviolably attached to the inter-
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terests of virtue; the results of an observation equally interesting, extensive and mature. They are delivered in a style simple and unadorned, but chastised with that elegance and correctness, which result from the operations of a mind habitually governed by a refined taste and the clearest judgment. Daughters, by adopting and practising the rules this little volume contains, may become in life the favorites of earth, and, in death, the daughters of heaven. *Edinb. Magaz.*

529. *The RIGHT of the BRITISH LEGISLATURE to TAX the AMERICAN COLONIES, VINDICATED.* Vide article 487.

This writer professes to prove, that the North Americans have never lost the happy state of free subjects; and that the acts of the mother country, regarding them, and of which they now complain, are very consistent with the fundamental principles of our constitution, erring only on the side of indulgence towards them. He is by no means deficient in the management of his pen; and yet if the North Americans are ever brought to confess that they have maintained a fallacious plea, we imagine it must be by other proofs of the power of the British parliament than those that are here produced. By the state which he has given us of the trade between Great-Britain and her colonies, he appears to be a much more competent judge of that subject, than of their political connection.

Monthly Review.

A sensible pamphlet, which greatly merits the perusal of the public. The author has discussed several important points relative to the British colonies and his arguments are founded on the fundamental principles of government. *Critical Review.*

This writer asserts the right of parliament to tax the Americans in all cases whatever. He has collected together all the plausible and common-place arguments to prove it to be altogether just and constitutional. According to him, all royal charters are of no importance or value: and he is for the most severe measures, unless the colonies implicitly comply.

London Magazine.

530. *HOTHAM'S STATE of AFFAIRS relative to EAST-INDIA SHIPPING.* Vide article 330.

This gentleman seems so well informed, and his representations wear so great an appearance of truth, that we cannot but think him entitled to the acknowledgments of the whole body of independent proprietors.

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531. *WARTON'S HISTORY of ENGLISH POETRY.* Vol. I. Vide article 335.

A capital work, replete with entertainment and erudition. The first dissertation contains abundance of antique learning

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and ingenious conjecture, in the course of which the learned author has favoured us with some very refined observations on the Gothic poetry. *Monthly Review.*

Mr. Warton has not carried his investigation further back than the Roman conquest; but that period is sufficiently remote to give us an idea of English versification in an uncultivated state. He has entered into the subject with great learning and judicious attention, and convinced us he did not undertake what he was not master of. In the second dissertation, he is of opinion that the Goths, who over-ran Italy, were not so totally void of civilization as is generally imagined; their enemies having been their historians who naturally represented their characters in the most unfavourable light. *Critical Review.*

32. OBSERVATIONS on the DISCOURSES at the ROYAL ACADEMY. Vide article 217.

This writer, after some attempts at ridicule, for which he shews himself altogether unequal, seriously charges the learned president with bestowing an unreasonable applause on the *Chiaro oscuro*, or, as he calls it, the *twilight* manner of the Bolonese schools, ultimately to recommend his own. The author of this pamphlet seems to be as warm an advocate for the Venetian, as the president could possibly be for the Bolognese masters. We must, however, do him the justice to acknowledge that he has made use of some just and some very supportable observations. *Monthly Review.*

33. JENNER'S LOUISA, a Tale. Vide article 373.

This poem is every where marked with that simplicity and tenderness, which have generally distinguished the productions of Mr. Jenner, and they are poetical; but the tale before us is not altogether well conceived. The elegy is very short, but has considerable merit. *Monthly Review.*

34. ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA. Vide articles 258, 1262, vol. ii.

This work is formed upon an exceptionable plan, injudiciously, negligently, in some instances, ignorantly, and upon the whole, we may add *dishonestly*, executed: complete treatises or detached parts of treatises being in places transcribed, while the short meagre articles in other parts of the work, of which forty or fifty are often included in a single page, render this department a mere dictionary of definitions. *Monthly Review.*

35. OTAHEITE, a Poem. Vide articles 228, 456.

The smooth, correct, and flowing style of verse in which this poem is written, shews that the author is no stranger to composition.

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composition. But though his poetry is good, it is, in our opinion, too general in its descriptions to be interesting ; however, it may properly enough, upon the whole, be called a pretty poem.

Animated and poetical, but prurient and indelicate.

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Westm. Magaz.

536. St. THOMAS'S MOUNT, a poem. Vide articles 218, 455.

St. Thomas's Mount is a beautiful place in India, on the coast of Coromandel. On this account, the juvenile author had many advantages with respect to novelty of scenery, imagery and objects ; and availing himself of this, he has produced no very contemptible poem. The second canto contains, by way of episode, the peregrinations of St. Thomas, who, the author takes it for granted, propagated the gospel in the East-Indies.

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Lively, descriptive, and poetical.

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537. The PATRON, a Satire. Vide article 347.

The author professes to imitate Juvenal ; but, in our opinion, he has no pretensions to rank with the illustrious Roman ; however, he may be allowed to sit down with his ingenious countryman Oldham.

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Written in a desultory manner, and what satire it contains, has not much poignancy ; but, in some passages, the author produces ingenious sentiments.

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538. GOLDSMITH'S RETALIATION. Vide article 499.

Abounding with wit, free from even the slightest tincture of ill nature. The characteristics on all the parties, as far as they are known to us, are equally pointed and just.

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539. ROGERS'S CHOICE, a Poem. Vide article 364.

Mr. Rogers has just notions of the œconomy of private life, and of the obligations of religion and morality ; but he totally mistakes his talents, if he thinks himself half so great a poet even as Pomfret. We tell him this truth in pure good will, because we are pleased with his sentiments ; and in the hope that he will hereafter, be cautious of injuring his own thoughts, by attempting to cloath them in verse.

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540. The PROGRESS of GALLANTRY. Vide article 374.

Containing several good moral sentiments and observations, with a moderate share of poetical merit.

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The three cantos of this poem describe the attachment of the male to the female sex. The subject is naturally delineated, and the versification flows easy.

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541. *The GAMESTERS, a Poem.* Vide article 365.

As the affair to which this poem relates is local, the satire here exhibited cannot be expected to draw the attention of the public in general. The poem has some humour, and offers very good advice.
Monthly Review.

542. *MEDICO MASTIX.* Vide article 189.

The satire is here levelled at the industrious fraternity of the quacks, by one who acknowledges himself of the faculty. As a poet, the author can claim only a distant relation to the family of the *well-enoughs*.
Monthly Review.

543. *RICHARD PLANTAGENET.* Vide articles 339, 457.

We can say nothing in favour of the composition. The author plainly wants taste and talents for this kind of poetry. Where he aims at simplicity, he falls beneath it, and mistakes it for filliness.
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544. *An ELEGY on the FEARS of DEATH.* Vide article 215.

We cannot but censure this poem ; the author having made use of a *new word* in one stanza, and adopted the expression of *Welkin's ear* in another, and put too high a price upon it.
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The moral tendency of this piece is to alarm the sinner, by representing to him some of the awful circumstances of death ; and, on the other hand, to reconcile the good man to that formidable event, by presenting to his view some of the happy effects of a religious life.
Critical Review,

545. *JEFFERSON'S POEMS. 2d edit.* Vide articles 1184, 1265 vol. ii.

Had these poems been worth the least notice, some apology should have been made for overlooking them so long ; but they were amongst those things that drop dead-born from the press ; and to be in haste about registering them in our monthly bills of mortality, was very immaterial.
Monthly Review.

546. *ELSEFAIR and EVANDER, a Poem.* Vide article 219.

No ; no indulgence in this court for printing at the solicitation of friends ; that plea is totally excluded.

"Hence first arose the sad unhappy fate

"Of many a hungry paunch, and many a sore-scratched pate."
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547. *The MUSE in a FRIGHT.* Vide article 372.

The author's meaning is so good, that we sincerely wish he was a better poet.
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It would be unjust to criticise with rigour a rhapsody which the author professes to have been produced in a fright. The best we can do, therefore is, to comfort the poor muse, by assuring her, that there is no ground for the present lamentation.

Critical Review.

548. *The ESTATE-ORATORS.* Vide article 360.

The foppery of phrase which architects, designers, head-gardeners, and auctioneers, in particular, affect in their descriptions and advertisements, is here properly enough treated with ridicule; and it would have done very well in a poetical fling, or a casual essay in an evening paper, but the subject is too low for the importance of a pamphlet. The poem is one of *Well-enoughs*.

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The ridicule is well founded, and frequently exposes the absurdity in a risible light.

Critical Review.

A humorous composition of the ingenious Mr. Woty, who has wittily put in ridiculous order, the more ridiculous bombastical expressions of our modern auctioneers. *London Magazine.*

549. *LA CLOCHE de P' AME.* Vide article 321.

However good may be this author's design, his poetical talents are not to be much commended.

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550. *A FAMILIAR EPISTLE to the AUTHOR of the HEROIC EPISTLE to Sir William Chambers.* Vide article 333.

The spirited author of the *Heroic Epistle*, &c. having announced his resolution occasionally to lash the nefarious attempts of arbitrary governors, or corrupt senators, to invade the liberties, or squander the properties of his countrymen; the present writer steps forward to expostulate with the heroic bard on the vanity and folly of such an attempt; he keenly ridicules the *postscript* throughout, and has given the author a found drubbing.

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There is as much smartness and humour in this performance, as can well be expected from so barren a subject.

Critical Review.

The production of Mr. Sheridan, jun.

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551. *BATTLEY'S ANTIQUITIES of RICHBOROUGH, &c. ABRIDGED.* Vide articles 203, 287.

This short account of the ancient state of the Isle of Thanet, will afford amusement to those who have a taste for antiquities; but the antiquary must, on this subject, as well as many others, be sometimes contented with conjectures.

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552. *TRANSTAGANO'S PORTUGUESE DICTIONARY.* Vide article 293.

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A work of this kind, in which the Portuguese and English language are alternately transfused into each other, in the same manner as are our French and other dictionaries, has long been wanted: of course, this publication will be very acceptable, and will be considered as a useful acquisition to literature in general. The author is a teacher of languages in this capital, and is a person of acknowledged abilities in his profession.

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53. OLD HEADS *on* YOUNG SHOULDERS. Vide article 1197, vol. ii.

This writer's design is undoubtedly commendable, and his plan, in this respect, a very good one. He labours to recommend virtue, and deter from vice and folly, by a representation of occurrences in *real* life; though unhappily the tales, which are dressed out by fancy and fiction, will often prove more engaging and interesting to the youthful heart. That the author is either negligent or defective in point of style, appears from the title-page, as well as from other parts of the book; but the relations he gives have all a moral tendency, and may with propriety be put into the hands of young persons, as likely to impress on their minds a regard to virtue and sobriety.

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54. *The* FRIEND. Vide article 359.

We cannot with certainty inform our readers, whether or not all of these essays are collected from books; but some of them we recollect as old acquaintance, the 10th particularly, which is copied *verbatim* from the *Rambler*. However, whether they be originals, or transcripts, they are pretty, though not great; the subjects are important, and the lessons inculcated may be useful to young readers.

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55. NEW REFLECTIONS *on the* ERRORS COMMITTED in both sexes BEFORE and AFTER MARRIAGE. Vide article 467.

From the many imperfections in the style of this writer, we conclude, that she is a very young lady indeed! but miss in her pens seems rather forward to snatch at the honours of authorship. She would, we think, be as usefully employed in repairing her dolls, and regulating the œconomy of her baby-house.

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We here meet with many just observations on the manners of the times; and the reflections which the author draws from them, are such as deserve the attention of those who would endeavour to avoid unhappiness in the married state.

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556. RUDDIMAN'S INTRODUCTION to ANDERSON'S DIPLO-
MATA SCOTIÆ, *translated*. Vide *articles* 1201, 1286, *vol. ii.*

Mr. Anderson was writer to the Signet. The first and principal division of his book contains a specimen of select charters, granted or ordered by the kings or other principal men of Scotland from the year 1094 to 1412, continued in regular order. It was Mr. Anderson's care to exhibit the specimens he collected, formed as like the writing of the originals as was possible, and to give, on the opposite side, copies of the originals expressed in modern characters. But lest it should be said, that barbarism stood in the way of the use of charters being sooner introduced among the Scots, Mr. Ruddiman takes some pains to prove, that this custom prevailed long before the time of Duncan II. or the year 1094; his argument however consists of probabilities and conjectures only. The latter part of Mr. Anderson's famous work, which is very scarce, treats of Scotch seals and coins; this Mr. Ruddiman proceeds to a careful consideration of. On the whole, we think there are several entertaining and instructive observations in this performance, which may not only amuse the antiquary, but prove of some real use in regard to history, particularly the history of the Scotch coinage.

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557. *The WINTER MEDLEY*. Vide *article* 85.

Good wholesome kitchen literature.

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558. *A LETTER to GOVERNOR POWNAL, on bread*. Vide *article* 475

The secrets, betrayed in this pamphlet, are the arts made use of by the contractors who supply the government with corn, to keep up the price of wheat at London. The connections of the gentleman to whom the letter is addressed, and the peculiar attention he has bestowed on the subject will enable him to judge of, and profit by, the hints contained in it.

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559. MARSHALL'S INTRODUCTION to ARITHMETIC. Vide *article* 206.

Except two or three books of arithmetic of superior note the rest, of which there are many, can scarcely be thought objects of literary attention: nor does there appear to be any call for new publications on the common rules, which are the same in all of them, beyond the circumstance of their being advertisements in character from school-masters. In course, it will suffice to say, that there is nothing in this *practical introduction* that will discredit Mr. Marshall's abilities in his profession.

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560. DE TREITORREN'S DICTIONARY of FRENCH IDIOMS.
Vide article 205.

Collections of peculiar phrases are of great use in facilitating the understanding of writers, and in acquiring that style which is necessary to a free and intimate knowledge of any tongue : and this consideration is sufficient to recommend the present little manual of French idioms. *Monthly Review.*

561. SMETHAM'S PRACTICAL GRAMMAR. Vide article 517.

The rules here laid down appear to us pertinent, useful, and easy ; they differ from the methods observed in other grammars, and in some respects seem to have an advantage over them. Mr. Smetham has taken considerable pains in compiling this grammar, and it seems calculated to be of use. *Monthly Review.*

562. *The AMERICAN CRISIS ; a letter addressed, by permission, to the Earl Gower, lord president of the council, &c. &c. &c. on the present alarming disturbances in the colonies. Wherein various important points relative to plantation affairs are brought into discussion, as well as several persons adverted to, of the most distinguished characters. And an idea is offered towards a complete plan for restoring the independence of America upon Great Britain to a state of perfection.* By WILLIAM ALLEN, Esq; 8vo. 1s. 6d. Cadell.

Lord Gower certainly did not peruse Mr. Allen's treatise before he granted permission for the public mention of his name, as the patronizer of the performance. His lordship's noble sentiments, we well know, are by no means compatible with the arbitrary principles of this hot-headed author. There is an unhappy affectation of fine writing in this pamphlet, and it contains many illiberal passages : but any particular attention to them would be doing honour to a performance which will reflect none upon its author. *Monthly Review.*

563. *A BRIEF REVIEW of the RISE, &c. of NEW-ENGLAND, &c.* Vide article 476.

Contains a very decent, and, to all appearance, a very fair and impartial state of facts, that ought to have due attention paid to them. *Monthly Review.*

A *brief review* indeed ! The reviewer begins the services of the New-Englanders with the year 1690, but there were many important services before that period. *Lond. Magaz.*

564. COLONIZING, &c. Vide articles 370, 459.

We cannot discover any new thought or principles in this performance that may tend to decide the question of right between the mother-country and her colonies ; or that may add strength

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strength to the pretensions of either side by valid arguments. The writer indeed is above arguing, he dictates and affirms where he should reason and prove; and stamps the positions he lays down with italics and capitals, to stare his readers into assent.

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565. AMERICA VINDICATED from the charge of ingratitude and rebellion, &c. Vide article 474.

Written by a warm advocate for the Americans.

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566. ΑΙΣΧΥΛΟΥ ΠΡΟΜΗΘΕΥΣ ΔΕΣΜΩΤΗΣ, cum Stanleyana versione, Scholiis α, β, (et γ ineditis) amplissimisque variorum notis; quibus suas adjecit, nec non scholia de metre, de Anglicanam interpretationem. T. MORELL, S. T. P. S. S. R. et A. S. 4to. 10s. 6d. sewed. Longman.

The *Prometheus Captivus* of Eschylus is one of the most striking monuments of genius that has been transmitted to us from antiquity. The inimitable strength and ardour, so peculiar to the great father of the drama never more gloriously appeared than in this tragedy; too much attention therefore cannot be paid to it, nor too much light thrown upon it. Dr. Morell's care and diligence in what he has here done, merit our regard, and his blank verse translation, though not impregnated with the fire of Eschylus, may be useful to school-boys.

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567. *The SOUTH BRITON.* Vide article 324.

When we cannot, with a proper regard to truth, pay a compliment to a lady, we generally think it our duty to be silent.

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568. *The FORTUNE-TELLER.* Vide article 214.

These little volumes are distinguished by a vein of good sense and morality, which runs through the whole performance and renders it far from being wanting either in entertainment or improvement. The just and spirited observations which the author makes, and the excellent advice which he gives to different persons, who seek to know their future destiny, reminds us of *Doddsley's Toyshop*; nor are the generality of reflections inferior to those which are found in that pleasant performance. In a word, our fortune-teller, at the time he takes advantage of the weakness of those who are so impatient to pry into futurity, to relieve his own wants, endeavours to render their confidence in the stars of real and essential service to them in the future part of their lives.

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69. *The SCHOOL for HUSBANDS.* Vide article 314.

This story is lively, natural and affecting; well told, and free from those frequent episodes which are so often introduced, and which are too much even for the patience of a reviewer.

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The fable of this piece is admirably well calculated to check the fashionable vice of keeping mistresses, by setting, in the strongest light, many inconveniences of which that practice is productive: and we can assure our readers, that our sensibility has been greatly affected in the perusal of this performance, which is designed to promote the interests of virtue.

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70. *The ORPHAN SWAINS.* Vide article 371.

These orphan swains are introduced to the world in two neat brace pocket volumes; but like many other well dressed coxcombs, they are totally void of sense or sentiment.—High-flown rose and grovelling verse compose this ridiculous performance.

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If writing such novels as the present be the best effect of this young libertine's reformation, he might, for any good his reformation has produced, have remained unreformed still. However, as the two volumes do not contain 300 pages, the publisher will be no great sufferer when the work (as probably soon will) is conveyed

—*in vicum vendentem thus & odores*

Et piper, & quicquid chartis amicitur ineptis.

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71. *The HISTORY of LORD STANTON.* Vols. IV. and V. 6s. bound. Vernor. Vide articles 337, 385.

We cannot help thinking that these additional volumes are inferior to the former; especially the fourth, which appears to be spun out merely to enlarge the work.

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Whatever the malice of disappointed authors may prompt them to alledge, we are always desirous of saying as much in favour of the publications which come under our notice as they deserve. Actuated by this inclination, we declare that these volumes are well printed, on good paper, contain a reasonable number of pages, and may afford amusement to many of the subscribers to circulating libraries.

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72. *The NEWS-PAPER WEDDING.* Vide article 354.

This curious collection consists of a number of ridiculous verses, supposed to be sent to the publisher in consequence of the above-mentioned advertisement; the whole appears to be a most unmeaning catchpenny performance.

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Insipid. Not a letter worth reading.

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A news-paper compilation, and of the most indifferent materials. *London Magaz.*

573. *The TRINKET.* Vide article 338.

If the publisher has taken the trouble to look over this novel, he must have thought the lady very extravagant in this trinket of her's, as she has crowded *story* and *plot* enough in the last twenty pages, to have formed, with the least degree of management, another whole volume of this valuable species of writing. *Monthly Review*

574. PENNINGTON'S ROYAL COOK. Vide article 89.

Well said, title-page!

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575. CHETWYND, upon FINES. Vide article 1329, vol. ii.

The subject of fines is copiously treated in the last edition of *Jacob's Law Dictionary*, by *Ruffhead and Morgan*; and it need not be interpreted to the disadvantage of the present performance, when it is declared to be very little more than that article somewhat amplified; including proper extracts from those statutes relating to fines, which are loosely referred to in the former work.---Unintelligible to any but a lawyer.

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576. BEATSON'S DIVINE CHARACTER of CHRIST. Vide article 1200, vol. ii.

This treatise appears to have been written with a good design, and the subject is treated with candor and temper. It appears to be a well-meant attempt; but as nothing new is added to what has been repeatedly published, the debate remains in the same state as before.

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577. HAGGERSTON'S REMARKS on GRAHAM'S SERMON. Vide article 222.

Apparently well intended, and containing some just remarks, though formed on a narrow and mistaken plan.

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578. SOUTH'S case of DUELLING considered. Vide article 356.

Extracted from the sermons of the famous Dr. South.

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579. CRUWY'S on the SEPTUAGINT. Vide articles 98, 2, 6.

Merely a collection of other men's opinions; however, those who have not thought much on the subject, may here peruse a brief history of the septuagint version, which may yield them some satisfaction.

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80. NEWTON'S APPENDIX to the leading principles of the Quakers examined. Vide article 216

Mr. Newton here takes a final leave of the controversy with the Quakers; he answers the principal things advanced by Mr. Phipps in his last performance, and concludes with a friendly address to him and his brethren. He appears to be solicitous only for truth, and not for the support of party; he pleads with temper and candour, and we think he prevails against his antagonist.

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81. COWPER on the DISTINCT POWERS of REASON and REVELATION. Vide article 488.

This pamphlet is agreeably written; it is sensible, well intended, and discovers the serious and pious temper of the late worthy author.

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82. A CLEAR DISPLAY of the TRINITY. Vide article 179.

Several of this layman's performance consist of observations that have been repeatedly offered by the advocates for this doctrine; but he rejects, as unscriptural, the scholastic terms and distinctions which most of them have employed; and here he writes with such a freedom, that it might be supposed by some readers he did not receive the doctrine of the Trinity. He does not appear destitute of the learning proper for the enquiries he has undertaken, and he discovers both candor and good sense; that he is, we think, sometimes led away by fancy and conceit. In the address to enquiring christians at the beginning of the volume, he pleads with sense and spirit for the rights of private judgment and for freedom of enquiry.

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83. VENN'S MISTAKES in RELIGION EXPOSED. Vide article 349.

Mr. Venn tells us that the sole design of these pages is to remove the baneful influence of notions contrary to the doctrine believed by the universal church in every age. It will be difficult for him, we apprehend, to fix on a period in which the universal church were entirely agreed in points of doctrine. However, while he is endeavouring to point out mistakes in religion, we are persuaded he has candor enough to allow that it is possible he may sometimes be mistaken himself, and that too, perhaps, in some favourite points, which still remain of a doubtful kind, whatever human names, authorities and fancies may be brought for their support.

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584. SOME ACCOUNT *of the STATE of RELIGION in LONDON.*
Vide article 352.

We conceive of this writer as an honest and pious man; and we should approve his zeal, did it not appear to us, that he can hardly admit of piety unconnected with the reception of a certain set of principles which human invention has endeavoured to make the standard of faith. The methodistical ministers and hearers are chiefly favoured by his pen, but not those who follow Mr. W—y. The Rev. Mr. R—e comes in for a large share of praise, as also do some others both among the ministers in the establishment, and among the dissenters who embrace his principles. There are some characters drawn from real life in one part of the pamphlet which may afford a useful admonition to those who make professions of religion.

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The work of some pious, well-meaning person, among the frequenters of the Lock-Chapel or the tabernacle.

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585. CHURCHILL'S *CONCIO ad Clerum, &c.* Vide article 208.

There is nothing very remarkable in this brief oration. The sense he has given of the passage he criticises seems just, and is probably that in which it is most generally understood.

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586. SCOTT'S *SERMON on DUELLING.* Vide article 345.

By the aid of South, Hildrop and Delany, Mr. Scott has mustered up some good arguments against duelling; but (through certain affectations and singularities into which this author is apt to fall) his publication wants that characteristic propriety and grace which we expect to meet with in a religious discourse.

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Without any appearance of elegance or taste in the compilation; but published with a good design.

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587. LINDSEY'S *SERMON at the opening of his Chapel.* Vide article 521.

Candid and judicious, worthy of the occasion in which it was delivered; worthy of the preacher.

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588. BREWER'S *funeral Sermon.* Vide articles 473.

Mr. Hitchin was a very eminent dissenting minister of the Calvinistic persuasion; and these discourses, as is usual on such occasions, contain the highest encomiums on the deceased.

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589. *A SERMON on the death of the Rev. P. Simson, A. M. preached at the Meeting-house in Vicar-lane, Coventry, July 18, 1773. By J. DALTON. 6d. Dilly.*

The *Monthly Review* is silent upon this article.

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590. *Four INTRODUCTORY LECTURES in NATURAL PHILOSOPHY. Vide article 221.*

This neat little book seems to be intended but as an introduction or beginning to a regular and complete course of natural philosophy, illustrated with experiments, to be read by Dr. Hugh Hamilton, F. R. S. in his official capacity in the university of Dublin, as professor of philosophy. And, indeed, in his former works, he has manifested so much judgment in mathematical and philosophical learning, that it is probable whatever he writes on these subjects will be well received by the public.

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591. *HARRINGTON'S SCIENCE IMPROVED. Vide articles 202, 419.*

The title-page of this work, in no respect expresses the contents; the pages containing only some awkward geographical and astronomical descriptions and principles, interspersed with long and numerous extracts from poems, enthusiastic addresses to the Deity, and bombast, unmeaning, theological declamations. We are of opinion too, that the *new-invented* method of *embellishments* is some centuries old. Besides the jumble and confusion observable throughout this piece, the author frequently uses many technical terms belonging to the mathematics, which, being without explanation, are unintelligible to those readers for whom he professes to write. Add to this the many instances of false grammar, the using of words without meaning, or in a sense often different from their common acceptance. For all these reasons we are apprehensive that little instruction will be derived from this work, and that such as read will form a very different opinion of its merit from that which the author entertains, whose vanity appears to be excessive, and is equalled only by his ignorance.

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592. *A NEW SYSTEM, or an ANALYSIS of ANTIENT MYTHOLOGY: wherein an attempt is made to divest tradition of fable; and to reduce the truth to its original purity. By JACOB BRYANT. 2 vol. 4to. 2l. 4s. boards. Elmsly.*

This author's design is to throw aside the veil of allegory and fiction, with which the Grecians obscured their history; strip the gods and heroes of their poetical embellishments

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and disguises, and, if possible, to investigate the sources of error, and reduce every thing to plain historical facts. Thus, he gives an account of the first ages, and of the great events which happened in the infancy of the world; compares sacred history with profane; rectifies, as much as possible, what time has impaired; points out the origin of all the rites and mysteries of the Gentiles; divests mythology of every foreign and unmeaning ornament, and displays the truth in its general simplicity. And, in doing this, he has shewn great abilities and great learning.

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593. GROSE'S ANTIQUITIES. *Vol. II. 2l. 6s. boards.* Hooper. Vide articles 1091, 1219, vol. ii.

A continuation of article 1091, vol. ii. containing 89 views not inferior to those in the first volume; and was it only for the excellent plates, this description of England and Wales would be highly valuable. This volume completes half the author's design.

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594. *The SCRIPTURE THEORY of the EARTH.* Vide article 854, vol. ii. 5.

The reader will find several speculations and conjectures in this work, which will seem bold, arbitrary, and perhaps unphilosophical; but at the same time he will be entertained with many learned and curious disquisitions.

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595. EXPERIMENTAL ENQUIRIES. *Part II. containing a description of the lymphatic system in the human subject, and in other animals. Illustrated with plates. Together with observations on the lymph, and the changes which it undergoes in some diseases.* By WILLIAM HEWSON, F. R. S. 8vo. 239 pages with 2 of preface, 8 of contents, one of dedication to Benjamin Franklin, L. L. D. and 5 copper-plates drawn and engraved by Bonnor. 6s. bound. Johnson.

The 1st chapter of this work gives us a concise historical account of the discoveries made in the lymphatic system; the 2d and 3d, gives an anatomical description of this system in the human body; the 4th, 5th and 6th, describe it in birds and fish; after which the author enters on physiological enquiries, treating first on the properties of the fluid contained in the lymphatic vessels, and of that which lubricates the different cavities of the body. In the 8th chapter Mr. Hewson enquires into the manner in which the lymph is secreted into the cavities for their lubrication. In the 9th he examines the opinion, whether the common veins are the instruments of absorption, and concludes they are not. The 12th chapter treats

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of the villi of the intestines and the manner of absorption; and the 13th contains various pathological observations relating to the lymphatic system, among which we meet with a rational account of the cause of dropsies. In short, while the author accurately unfolds the recesses of anatomical knowledge, and maintains ingenious conjectures with strong arguments, he writes with great perspicuity; and we cannot but recommend the work to the perusal of those who are desirous of investigating the structure and oeconomy of the human body.

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This work is a continuation of article 458, vol. i. and was designed to be further pursued, but Mr. Hewison is since dead, and the public will have occasion to regret his loss.

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96. RICHARDSON'S SPECIMEN of PERSIAN POETRY. Vide article 496.

The author of this performance is entitled to our approbation in a double capacity, as he has not only bestowed great pains in rendering the acquisition of the Persian tongue more easy to the student, but has also shewn, by his own example, what progress it is possible to make in that language by dint of application. Though these odes are extremely difficult to translate, Mr. Richardson has done great justice to his original, giving, without deviating from the sense or sentiment of the author, made a sort of connected whole out of a number of disjointed parts, and thereby reconciled it more to the genius of Europeans.

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97. GLASS, on HENRY'S STRUCTURES on his MAGNESIA. Vide article 245.

The great esteem in which Mr. Glass's magnesia has been held for many years, must render the slightest attack upon its reputation interesting. The learned author of this examination, therefore, performs an acceptable service, not only to the faculty, but to the public in general, in endeavouring by fair argument and just representation to vindicate so useful a medicine from the charge which has been brought against it by Mr. Henry, apothecary at Manchester, who advertises a calcined magnesia, prepared by himself.

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98. A LETTER to Dr. GLASS, containing a reply to his examination of Mr. Henry's strictures on the magnesia, sold under the name of the late Mr. Glass. To which are added some further testimonies in support of the truth of those strictures. By THOMAS HENRY, apothecary, 8vo. 27 pages. 6d. Johnson.

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599. A REFUTATION of HENRY'S STRICTURE'S on GLASS'S MAGNESIA. Vide article 477.

The author of this refutation, who, we are informed, paid 1500 l. to the late Mr. Glas, for the property of his method of making magnesia, lays before the public two affidavits relative to this transaction. The first is the affidavit of Mr. Glas, declaring that he had fully communicated to the purchaser his method of making it; and the other is that of the present proprietor, affirming, that he has constantly adhered to Mr. Glas's method. In short, we cannot entertain the smallest doubt of the purity of Mr. Glas's medicine, and must think it greatly superior to Mr. Henry's. *Critical Review.*

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There is the same harmony of numbers, the same delicacy of satire in this postscript, as in the *Heroic Epistle*. But the author has no particular object in view. The strokes of the poetic scourge are given by the way; and the whole is a prelude to some greater work in contemplation.

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Critical Review.

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647. RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE NO PART of the GENERAL PLAN, *either of the MOSAIC or CHRISTIAN DISPENSATION, proved by scriptural inferences and deductions, after a method entirely new.* By JOSIAH TUCKER, D. D. Dean of Gloucester. 8vo. 47 pages, with 4 advertisement. Printed at Gloucester. 1s. Rivington.

This dissertation is part of a large work, which the learned author is preparing for the press. It undertakes to prove, that idolatry itself might be tolerated, not only under the mild dispensation of the gospel, but, in *certain respects*, even under the severe law of Moses, and is designed to shew the dissenting Ministers, that, in a religious view, they were wrong in applying to parliament, not to have petitioned for an *universal* toleration, an absolute repeal of the penal-laws against non-conformity, leaving it to the wisdom of the legislature to determine, what or whether any *civil test* were necessary in order to insure the *civil* obedience of the subject.

48. POLITICAL ARITHMETIC: *containing observations on the present state of Great-Britain, and the principles of her policy in the encouragement of agriculture. Addressed to the OEconomical Societies established in Europe. To which is added, a MEMOIR on the CORN TRADE, drawn up and laid before the Commissioners of the Treasury, by GOVERNOR POWNALL.* By ARTHUR YOUNG, Esq; F. R. S. author of the Tour thro' England, *honorary member of the societies of Dublin, York, and Manchester, and of the OEconomical Society at Berne, in Switzerland.* 8vo. 301 pages, with 64 of appendix, 8 of preface, and 4 of contents. 5s. 3d. boards. Nicol.

Foreign writers often erroneously quoting the case of England, in matters respecting agriculture, has induced Mr. Young, to whom the public is already much indebted, to explain the principles which have advanced the husbandry of this country to its present height; pointing out wherein foreigners should imitate us, and wherein their imitation can be of no service to them. Such persons as wish to enquire in population, prices of provisions, size of farms, inclosures, &c. would do well to peruse this volume, it contains a variety of calculations on these, and other subjects, of the highest importance to the interest and welfare of this country. Governor Pownall's memoir contains an historical review of the statutes that have been made relative to the corn-trade, and proposals for ascertaining the prices of the growing British corn, for the purpose of exportation; never published

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published before. The appendix contains some letters from the St. James's Chronicle, and other explanatory papers.

- 649 *The HISTORY of ANCIENT EGYPT, as extant in the Greek historians, poets, and others; together with the state of the religion, laws, arts, sciences, and government, from the first settlement under Mizraim, in the year before Christ 2188, to the final subversion of the empire by Cambyfes, containing a space of 1664 years. By GEORGE LAUGHTON, D.D. of Richmond, in Surry. 8vo. 348 pages, with 24 of introduction, and 10 of preface, and a frontispiece, designed by Wale, and engraved by Grignion. 5s. boards. Cadell.*

To such as like to dip into antiquity, a perusal of this volume, though it gives us no great insight into ancient history, will be acceptable. Indeed little is to be learned respecting the early state of Egypt, but what is scattered in the classics; but these Dr. Laughton seems carefully to have collected, and has thus obliged the public with some valuable information.

650. *Of the ORIGIN and PROGRESS of LANGUAGE. Vol. II. To which are annexed, three dissertations, viz. 1. On the formation of the Greek language. 2. Of the sound of the Greek language. 3. Of the composition of the ancients; and particularly of that of Demosthenes. 8vo. 512 pages, with 76 of dissertations, and 9 of contents. 6s. 6d. boards. Printed at Edinburgh. Cadell.*

A continuation of article 462, vol. ii. which see. This volume is divided into three books; the first of which treats of the analysis of the *formal* part of language; the second, of the analysis of the *material* part; and the third of the composition of language.

651. *EXPERIMENTS and OBSERVATIONS on different kinds of AIR. By JOSEPH PRIESTLEY, LL. D. F. R. S. 8vo. 286 pages, 38 of appendix, with 19 of preface, 3 of contents, and 2 copper-plates of apparatus. Inscribed to Lord Shelburne. 5s. boards. Johnson.*

The first part of this work contains that treatise on air, that has been published in the *Philosophical Transactions*, with such observations and corrections as the author's subsequent experience has suggested to him. The latter contains experiments made in the course of last summer. However, the whole is only a partial publication; for Dr. Priestly designs, at his leisure, in the course of five or six years, to re-print the work with such improvements as shall have occurred to him at that time. It is needless to say, that these experiments are valuable, the author being a man of indefatigable application, and great learning.

learning. An appendix is added, presenting the reader with the communications of several of Dr. Priestley's friends. We are sorry to find, by his own declaration, that he has suspended his design of continuing his *history and present state of all the branches of experimental philosophy*, he seeing no prospect of being indemnified for his labour and expence.

652. *The WORKS in ARCHITECTURE of ROBERT and JAMES ADAM, Esqrs. of the Adelphi, containing designs invented and executed by them in Great-Britain and Ireland. Numb. II. 11. 13. Printed for the authors. Becket.*

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653. *A SKETCH of the MATERIALS for a new and complete HISTORY of CHESHIRE: with some short accounts of the characteristic genius and manners of its inhabitants, and of some local customs peculiar to the county Palatine: in a letter to Thomas Falconer, Esq; of the city of Chester. The SECOND EDITION, with an entire new preface, an account of further materials for the history and a plate of Hugh Lupus's sword of dignity. 4to. 72 pages, with 24 of postscript, and 10 of preface. 2s. 6d. Bathurst.*

Article 444, vol. i. reprinted. The author is Dr. Gower of Chelmsford, who has picked up and been favoured with a variety of manuscripts and other books, to enable him to carry this history into execution, and we persuade ourselves, from the abilities he has shewn in his sketch, that when done, it will be one of the most valuable and complete works extant.

654. *ARCANDAM'S ASTROLOGY, or book of destiny. Shewing the method of calculating every person's nativity,—their natural endowments and dispositions,---principal incidents of life, marriages,---good or ill success, fortunate point,---lucky or unlucky days, death, &c. &c. fairly deduced from the influence of the planets and stars. With an addition of physiognomy. Illustrated and adorned with elegant cuts of the 12 signs of the zodiac and representations of the various forms in which the stars they consist of are disposed. Translated from the French by J. Fr. NEVEAU, astronomer, many years confined in the Bastile for foretelling the death of the Dauphin of France, father of the present king. Small 12mo. 68 pages, with 2 of preface. 1s. Bew.*

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The editor of this little volume presumes to tell us, that it was originally written in Arabic by Arcandam; but as the science of astrology is now exploded, we shall say nothing respecting the contents. The cuts are of wood.

655. ODES by BRADSHAW GALLIARD, Esq; 4to. 40 pages, with 1 of contents. 2s. 6d. Johnson.

Consisting of 13 pieces. Mr. Galliard is but an indifferent poet.

656. *The ADVANTAGES of an ALLIANCE with the GREAT MOGUL: in which are principally considered three points of the highest importance to the British nation. 1. The immediate preservation and future prosperity of the East-India company. 2. The legal acquisition of an immense revenue to Great-Britain. 3. The promoting of a vast increase in the exports of British manufactures.* By JOHN MORRISON, Esq; general and commander in chief of the Great Mogul's forces; ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to his majesty George III. king of Great-Britain, &c. 8vo. 99 pages, 2s. Cadell.

This pamphlet opens with a sketch of the history of the Mogul's empire from the death of Aurengzebe in 1707, to the present time, and sets forth the difficulty, the reigning emperor, who is lineally descended from Aurengzebe, had, to get himself acknowledged sovereign. It proceeds to acquaint us with the manner of the author's appointment, as ambassador to the court. Mr. Morrison was a major in the company's service, and by certificates of his character, given in this work, appears to have behaved with fidelity and reputation; but having had four younger officers put over his head, he determined to resign his commission, and with the leave of his king, the king of Great-Britain, to enter into the service of the Great-Mogul, in alliance with the East-India company. He accordingly proposed to the emperor an alliance with Great-Britain on the following terms. That the emperor should invest our king with the sovereignty of Bengal, Behar and Orissa, (of which he had before appointed the East-India company to the dewannee, on condition that the company should pay him annually 325,000l. sterling, to which they agreed, but have since stopped payment) permit the East-India company to establish factories all over the empire, and to trade duty free on all exports and imports; in consideration of his Britannic majesty's securing to him the quit rent of 325,000l. per annum, settled on him by the company, send him 20,000 stands of arms for sepoy's, 10,000 for cavalry, cannon and stores in proportion, with British officers to take his whole army under command. The mogul has accepted

accepted this proposal, created Mr. Morrison an Omrah, and appointed him his ambassador here to negotiate the business; but the council of Calcutta, disliking the scheme, would not suffer him to depart the country; however, he found means to get away on board a Dutch ship, by entering himself and servants as fore-mast men. A variety of letters that passed between him and the council, &c. on this matter are given in the notes. What reception Mr. Morrison's proposals will meet with here, we are at a loss to divine, but this we know, that he has in the latter part of this pamphlet pointed out, the many advantages this country will derive from such an alliance, no less than bringing into the treasury two millions yearly in the way of trade, without taking a single rupee in cash from Hindostan, and has supported his plan with reasons that deserve the attention of the legislature. Mr. Morrison may be called an enterprising man, ambitious of amassing the fortune of a Clive; and that he could not do this and return to England, without consulting the interest of his country, but be this as it may; his scheme seems a good one, and if it turns out as he sets forth, and wishes, he will merit the thanks of all his countrymen. We have bestowed more room to this article than we can spare in general, but its being on a subject of the highest importance, has occasioned it.

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Being brought down to the present time, this edition is of course an improvement on Dr. Heylins, but there are 146 errors in it.

663. An ACCOUNT of the RISE, PROGRESS and PRESENT STATE of the SOCIETY for the DISCHARGE and RELIEF of PERSONS IMPRISONED for SMALL DEBTS Containing the original Sermon by Dr. Dodd; the rules and orders of the society; exhortation

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664. *The ENGLISH PREACHER.* Vol. v. vi. vii. 9s. boards. Johnson.

A continuation of article 595. vol. ii.

665. *The REPORT of the LORDS COMMITTEES, appointed by the House of Lords, to enquire into the several proceedings in the colony of Massachusetts Bay, in opposition to the sovereignty of his majesty, in his parliament of Great-Britain, over that Province, and also what hath passed in this house relative thereto, from the first day of January, 1764.* 8vo. 62 pages, with 6 of introduction. 2s. Bingley.

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666. *The ORIGIN of PRINTING, in two Essays.* 1. *The substance of Dr. Middleton's dissertation and origin of printing in England.* 2. *Mr. Meerman's account of the first invention of the art. An appendix is annexed.* 1. *On the first printed Greek books.* 2. *On the first printed Hebrew books, with observations on some modern editions, and a collation, from Walton's Polyglott, of a remarkable passage, as printed in Kings and Chronicles.* 3. *On the early Polyglotts.* 8vo. 144 pages, with 12 of contents, and 2 of advertisement. 3s. sewed. Bowyer and Nichols, Printers.

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1. WALKER'S GENERAL IDEA of a PRONOUNCING DICTIONARY. Vide *article* 376.

The general ideas of this writer, though not new or peculiar Mr. Walker, are nevertheless arranged and expressed in a judicious and decent manner. Mr. Walker possesses many of those peculiar abilities which are necessary in such an undertaking: that we really know not any writer, who is, in every respect, capable of giving us a pronouncing dictionary of the English language. Such a dictionary, however, as the author proposes, might be of considerable service in assisting those English masters who teach our language to foreigners. But then, instead of being the work of one man, we think it should be prepared under such auspices as should render its decisions a law, in all those doubtful cases which are so perplexing both to natives and foreigners. We are told the work is now ready for the press.

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2. PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS. Vol. LXIII. Part I. Vide *article* 1163, vol. ii.

The *Monthly Review* gives only some account of articles 11, & 25, in the *Transactions*. *Universal Catal.*

3. DUNKIN'S POETICAL WORKS. Vide *article* 284.

Dr. Dunkin, though not a poet, was a tolerable cutter of verses, and operating on the sundry materials of Greek, Latin, and English, exhibited his goods in a variety of forms. He could, for instance, take a subject, work it up into a Greek poem, afterwards translate it into a Latin poem, then into English blank verse, and last of all into heroic rhyme. Yet, notwithstanding this uncommon assiduity to please, we fall into languor over the greatest part of the doctor's labours, and suffer under a kind of involuntary ingratitude; but he had wit and humour to recommend him to the familiar hours of Swift and Pope, the literary demi-gods of their day. Swift too was a verse-cutter like Dunkin, only with this difference, that the former put his *hard ware* out of his hand more highly finished, and worked with sharper and finer tools. Dr. Dunkin, after all, must have due credit for his fine classical turn, and his happy imitation of the ancients.

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The famous Dean Swift predicted that this gentleman would one day make a brilliant appearance in the political world; and he seems to have had a good share of the Dean's humour, spirit and manner.

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674. TUCKER'S BERMUDIAN. Vide *article* 510.

The author of the poem now before us, is, we learn, a very young candidate for literary fame. This performance, indeed, bears the mark of juvenility; but it likewise evinces the promising genius of the writer; who, if he continues to cultivate, with ardor, his poetical powers, will probably soon grow into considerable favour with the muses. Our youthful bard, with filial and paternal affection, laments his absence from his parent country, and describes the tender and picturesque ideas which arise in his mind, in his hours of recollection, when all the scenery of his native soil appears before him, in soft, fond and harmonious numbers.

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This sonnet has been sung before by Waller, in strains more warm and enthusiastic than seemed compatible with the genius of that quaint and witty poet. The beauty, however, of the scene, and the happy temperature of the climate are sufficient to account for this inspiration. Here we find a poet, in whom the ardor of youth, the love of nature, and the powerful prepossession for his natural soil, unite their conspiring blaze, and animate his strains with uncommon force and tenderness. It is, perhaps, to be wished, that an American poet had enlivened his descriptions with some of those violent tempests which disturb both the continent and islands. But as these occur less frequently in Bermuda, and are less compatible with the genius of the poem, we cannot wonder that they are omitted; and though this had been a real fault, the beauty of the objects which he paints, the picturesque manner in which they are delineated, the propriety and tenderness of his sentiments, the clearness, force and pathos of his expressions, the sweetness, harmony, and dignity of his versification, are sufficient to apologize for a thousand omissions. Upon the whole, if this poem meets with the reception it deserves, the most sanguine wishes of a partial author can scarcely anticipate higher honour or success.

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675. ABAUZIT'S MISCELLANIES, TRANSLATED by HARWOOD. Vide *article* 342.

In the last age Abauzit would probably have been among the first literati of Europe. In the present, we fear his admirers must endure to see his works disregarded. Dr. Harwood has generally employed himself in a similar manner; and is one of the most industrious champions of what the church would call the heretical faith. He found in the works of Abauzit, things after his own heart, and he imagined it would promote what he thought the interest of religion, but what the orthodox consider as the interest of Satan, by translating the tracts before us.

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He has prefixed a preface and some memoirs of the author, who died in the year 1767, aged 88. The tracts are learned and ingenious, but will not greatly inform or entertain an English reader, who has been conversant in the writings of a Locke, a Clarke, a Foster, or an Abernethy.

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676. CONSIDERATIONS *on the* MEASURES CARRYING ON *with respect to the* BRITISH COLONIES. Vide *article* 658.

The author of this pamphlet is one of the most candid and best informed of any of the late writers on the interests of Great-Britain and her colonies. He is not elegant in his language, and he may not be deemed masterly in the *disposition* of his arguments; but he says a great number of excellent things in a very plain, perspicuous, and honest phraseology. He considers at large the rectitude, practicability and advantage of the measures entered upon in regard to America, and points out some others which he thinks would be preferable. We recommend the perusal.

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677. WILTON'S REVIEW *of some of the* CHURCH ARTICLES. Vide *article* 479.

This sensible and judicious review is intended to serve the great and important cause of religious liberty, and to promote that esteem and veneration for the sacred scriptures which all protestants ought ever zealously to maintain. Mr. Wilton clearly proves, in our opinion, that the articles he reviews, must be liable to exception by every protestant dissenting minister. Towards the close he considers the opposition of the bishops to the dissenters bill, and makes some very pertinent reflections upon it.

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This author is an advocate for the dissenters application to parliament, and is *perfectly enamoured* with the new subscription that was to have been required of himself and brethren, though backed with the old penal laws. His attempt is to prove that few, if any considerate persons, can, conscientiously subscribe the present articles; but against subscribing the scriptures he thinks none can object. We wish Mr. Wilton had shown equal candor to Athanasius as to Arius. He speaks of the former's *private ends*, as if he perfectly knew them, and of the *old crimes* laid to his charge, as if they had never been answered. Our author is exceedingly verbose, and his performance is rather *parvum in multo*.

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678. WILSON'S OBSERVATIONS *upon* LIGHTNING. Vide *articles* 451, 712, *vol. ii.*

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679. *The DIVINE PREDICTIONS of DANIEL and St. JOHN, DEMONSTRATED in COX'S MUSEUM. Vide articles 210, 612.*

680. HAWES'S ACCOUNT of Dr. GOLDSMITH'S ILLNESS. Vide article 634.

681. *An APPEAL to the PUBLIC, in four letters to Mr. Vernon. Vide article 481.*

The *Monthly Review* passes no opinion on either of the above articles, but gives us only some account of the contents of each, done by us before. *Universal Catal.*

682. *A SERMON, occasioned by the death of Elizabeth Stafford, who departed this life, March 29, 1774, in the 15th year of her age; together with some anecdotes concerning her, both previous to, and during her last illness. By JOHN STAFFORD. 6d. Buckland, Pater-noster-row.*

683. BISHOP LAW'S SERMON, before the society for the propagation of the gospel. Vide article 609.

The *Monthly Review* is silent upon these articles. *Univ. Cat.*

684. JONES'S IO-TRIADS. Vide articles 382, 570, vol. ii.

685. BERDOE, on the BLOOD. Vide article 221, vol. ii.

686. THEORY of the HUMAN SENSATIONS. By MARMADUKE BERDOE, M. D. 8vo, 1s. Lowndes, Fleet-street. Unintelligible. *Monthly Review*

687. BROMFIELD'S CHIRURGICAL OBSERVATIONS and CASES. Vide articles 1500, vol. i. and 415, vol. ii.

Many new, pertinent and useful remarks are contained in this work, which is, however, unnecessarily enlarged by a considerable number of trite and insignificant observations, that seem to answer no other purpose than that of swelling the matter, which might with ease have been contained in one volume, into two. The disposition of the matter, likewise, is frequently such as to incline the reader to suppose that the author had emptied his whole common-place book, and given its heterogeneous contents to the public, just as the different articles stood there; without selection, and with very little regard to form, language, or method. Notwithstanding, however, these and other blemishes, we shall repeat, that many pertinent hints and useful observations and improvements, particularly relative to the operative part of surgery, are to be found, scattered in different parts of this performance, which merit the attention of practitioners. *Monthly Review*

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688. SERIOUS CONSIDERATIONS *on* SOME REMARKABLE PASSAGES in a WORK lately published by MR. B***. Vide *article 381, vol. ii.*

689. NOTES *on* BROMFIELD'S CHIRURGICAL OBSERVATIONS. Vide *articles 256, 445, vol. ii..*

The *serious considerer* is sportively cruel, but the *annotator* is more sober, though keen. We shall observe, with respect to the first, that his strictures are delivered in a continued strain of waggery and contemptuous irony, commencing with the first word in the title-page of his pamphlet, and carried on nearly to the end of it. The criticisms of the *annotator* are rather of a more serious and argumentative cast. The principal subjects on which he attacks Mr. Bromfield, are the method proposed by him of healing concussions of the brain;---his assuming, in more than one instance, the discoveries of others to himself; and the improprieties, singularities and negligencies of his style. After treating the observer with considerable severity on these and a few other points, he acknowledges the utility of some of the remarks contained in his performance, various parts of which, he confesses, may be read not only with safety but improvement.

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690. MACLURG'S EXPERIMENTS *upon the BILE.* Vide *articles 250, 416, vol. ii.*

Containing an account of several experiments made by the author on the human cystic bile, with a view to throw some light on the nature of this fluid; principally by mixing it with the different mineral and vegetable acids, and marking the *phenomena* resulting from their action upon it. These experiments lead the author to results very different from those of preceding enquirers. They are followed by reflections on the nature of the biliary secretion, and on those parts of the animal economy that are connected with it, particularly on the influence of the bile, on digestion, and on temperament; as well as on the diseases produced by a redundancy of that fluid. The work is terminated by some observations on the nature and formation of biliary concretions, which the author supposes, may possibly be produced by a coagulation of the bile, by means of an acid generated in the stomach or duodenum.

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691. A TREATISE *on the DISEASES of INFANTS and CHILDREN.* Vide *article 1006, vol. i.*

We see nothing either deserving of praise or censure in this light compendium, in which the author has professedly availed himself of such assistance from the works of preceding writers, as he found to be confirmed by his own experience. The reader will

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will not meet with much new information in this performance; nor, indeed, can a sufficiently copious and satisfactory account of the nature and cure of the various disorders to which infants and children are liable, be comprehended in the narrow bounds of a work of this size. *Monthly Review.*

692. GOOCH'S MEDICAL and CHIRURGICAL OBSERVATIONS. Vide articles 1299, vol. ii. and 51.

The public are already well acquainted with the merit of the author's two former publications, the first of which, intituled, *Cases and practical Remarks in Surgery*, was republished a second time in the year 1767, and accompanied with *A practical Treatise on wounds and other chirurgical subjects*. To these two volumes the present will be found a very useful supplement. The extraordinary cases, or other interesting observations, that have occurred to the author, in the course of a long and extensive practice, are related with his usual plainness and perspicuity; and his reflections on them are evidently those of an attentive, sensible, and well-informed observer, who seems greatly to have at heart the improvement of his profession, and has himself very largely contributed towards it. *Monthly Review.*

693. SPILBURY'S FRIENDLY PHYSICIAN. Vide article 1298, vol. ii.

The *friendly physician*, who has here benevolently presented us with a NEW TREATISE, has absolutely been at the pains to scrape together a tolerable large bundle of recipes from dispensaries, and of choice receipts from 'private practice;' and,---- good creature that he is,--- has now and then thrown in a word or two into the bargain concerning the virtues of all compounds, whether orthodox or heterodox, that he has recommended. All this he has done with the *friendly* view of instructing those who may be disposed to *buy* his medicine-chests, to select the medicines with which they would have the aforesaid receptacles furnished. Different schemes are likewise drawn and presented to their view, from a *six-bottle case* at 16s. price, up to a *twenty-bottle case*, at 2 guineas. We entertain no doubt, however, but that, if they are disposed to practice on a still larger scale, *the friendly physician* and his *carpenter*, will strain every nerve to accommodate them. *Monthly Review.*

694. *The YOUNG SURGEON'S DICTIONARY*. Vide article 1053, vol. ii.

We should guess this to be another production of the *Friendly Physician*, or at least some worthy friend of his—possibly of his printer only; as the same engraved view of the

inside of a grand chemical laboratory is prefixed to this performance, that *adorns* Mr. Spilsbury's publication. We can really find no other method of estimating its worth than that of literally *weighing* it. The paper indeed on which this very small and costly production is printed, though sufficiently coarse and brown, might honestly between man and man be worth about two pence half-penny, when it came out, pure and undefiled from the hands of the manufacturer; but the compiler and printer have had the address, on its passing through their hands, to reduce it to waste paper, in which state it will scarce fetch a *farthing*. It weighs cover and all under four ounces.

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695. MELMOTH'S TEARS of GENIUS. Vide article 635.

A pleasing performance, and the little defects occasionally met with, amply apologized for.

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696. CRAWFORD'S SOPHRONIA and HILARIO. Vide article 512, 605.

If Mr. Crawford intended this poem as an essay towards discountenancing the foolish and butcherly custom of duelling, he is to be commended for his design. But this is not the most pleasing poem of the kind that we have perused; however we forbear; not being ambitious of the honour of having our names joined with those venerable ones of antiquity, which this sweet-blooded gentleman has treated with extraordinary marks of *reverence* in his *dissertation on Plato, &c.* Vide our opinion on that book, article 4.

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This elegy hath great poetical merit; but the author brings his friend to a duel without any adequate cause, even according to the modern rules of honour. Nothing but blood must wash away the blow Hilario received on his cheek, though he had levelled his antagonist for it with the floor. Some of the lines are also sullied with improper epithets, as *darned, &c.*

Lond. Magazine.

This descriptive elegy is penned in a stile of poetry suitable to the subject.

T. and C. Mag.

Poetical, descriptive, and pathetic.

Westminst. Mag.

697. FENTON'S POEMS. Vide article 363.

We suppose this honest ancient Briton will hardly think us niggards in our approbation, when we allow that he does no discredit to his name. His poems are miscellaneous, many of them easy and pretty, and it gives us pleasure to see them prefaced with such a noble subscription list of the author's countrymen.

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698. JERNINGHAM'S POEMS. Vide *article* 606.

We are always pleased with the modesty and becoming diffidence with which this ingenious writer adds his literary mite, as he expresses it, to the treasury of English poetry.

Deserving applause.

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699. *An ESSAY on ELECTRICITY.* Vide *article* 832, *vol.* ii.

This compendium is well drawn up and will be of use to those who wish to be initiated into the principles of electricity and to acquire a knowledge of the principal experiments that have been made in this branch of science; some of which likewise are here agreeably enough diversified. The essay is enlarged by various observations on medical electricity, and still more by the histories of several cures that have been performed by means of the electrical apparatus; collected from the different writers who have treated this subject. *Monthly Review.*

The production of Mr. J. B. Becket, a bookseller of Bristol, not a mathematical instrument-maker as we before asserted. *Universal Catal.*

700. CODRUS, *a tragedy.* Vide *article* 325.

The author of this tragedy, in a very sensible prefatory letter, informs us, that it was not intended for the stage. It breathes, however, the genuine spirit of liberty and virtue, and for the sake of those honest old principles, which we remember to have heard something about many years ago, we can with pleasure pass over a few defects of composition. *Monthly Review.*

This is one of the many foundlings, which, having been stifled in the birth by our theatrical nurses, now appeals from their injustice and cruelty to the impartial public. But we acquit the managers of any malice prepenſe in this case, as though many parts of the tragedy are very readable, the speeches are much too long, and the story too uninteresting to please upon the stage; not to mention that any play in this age would infallibly be damned by the introduction of a spectre, to which nothing but the superstitious reverence of a Shakespeare can reconcile us. *Gent. Magazine.*

701. HENRY and EMMA, *altered from* PRIOR. Vide *article* 500.

Hardly any skill could alter *Prior's snut brown Maid*, so as to atone to the audience or to the reader, for the regret which they would feel at the omission of any of its beautiful and pathetic passages. *Monthly Review.*

702. *The ROMAN HISTORY, in a series of letters.* Vide *article* 315.

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There is no question but that abstracts of this kind, written in an easy, familiar style, and illustrated with suitable reflections, will prove both agreeable and useful to young readers; and that while they are engaged, perhaps, merely in the search of amusement, they will, at the same time, acquire knowledge of things of the utmost importance. This history is, for the most part, written in a familiar and pleasing strain, but it is unequal, frequently inaccurate in the details and generally so incorrectly printed, that there is much left for the editor to do, in a second edition. However, we can recommend this compilement as an agreeable and useful introduction to a more intimate knowledge of the rise, progress, revolutions, and declension of the greatest empire that ever subsisted upon earth.

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703. PARKINSON'S JOURNAL of a VOYAGE to the SOUTH-SEAS. Vide article 741, vol. ii.

The writer of this journal seems to have been a well disposed young man, who kept a regular diary of such occurrences as fell within the sphere of his knowledge and observation; and the work is enlarged by some pretty copious specimens of the language of Otaheite and other parts which he visited. The journal is illustrated by 27 plates which perhaps may be thought to constitute the most valuable part of it.

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704. A LETTER to DR. HAWKESWORTH, Vide article 959, vol. ii.

This literary fungus, which suddenly sprung up from under the shade of the grand compilation of the South Sea Voyages, is a very inoffensive excrescence, nor is its flavour such, as to recommend it to the relish of any of the learned deists to whom it is meant to be served up.

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705. LETTERS to MEN of REASON, on the Excise, Vide article 515.

An earnest remonstrance on the hardships the brewers labour under, from the heavy and unequal duties to which they are subjected, as well as from the impolitic regulations of the excise-trade, and from the frauds and stock-jobbers. We cannot pretend to enter into the various particulars, but the writer appears to understand his subject, and to have considered it with due attention; his representations therefore merit immediate examination, no less from motives of justice to so great a body of manufacturers, and to the labouring poor, than from the national importance of the brewery and corn trade.

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706. BRUCKSHAW'S *one more* PROOF of the ABUSE of PRIVATE MAD-HOUSES. Vide article 306.

Mr. Bruckshaw states the circumstances of his arbitrary and cruel confinement, under an ill-supported charge of lunacy, and he tells his affecting tale in the style of a man whose mind has been greatly irritated by his sufferings, but he does not fall into any of those incoherencies which are the usual indications of mental derangement. *Monthly Review*

707. HENDERSON'S LETTER to the BISHOP of CHESTER. Vide articles 508, 608.

Some reflections thrown out by the bishop of Chester on the conduct of the nobility and clergy of Scotland, in the time of the 'Grand Rebellion,' have provoked the nationality of Mr. Henderson to call the learned prelate to account for his sermon. He defends the conduct of his countrymen; enters at large into the merits of the civil war; shews himself to be a staunch whig, and treats the bishop as a high-flying churchman, whose sentiments on the subject in question, 'tend to rekindle the 'embers of unnatural antipathy, blow the coals of dissention 'between the two kingdoms, and poison the mind of his 'royal pupil,' &c. &c. all which tremendous as it is, had escaped us when we read the discourse to which Mr. Henderson refers; and will probably elude the discernment of most others, even with the help of this penetrating writer's exposition.

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708. GOVERNOR BERNARD'S LETTERS. Vide article 478.

These letters appear to be made public by the proper authority, and will certainly contribute to lighten the load of obloquy heaped on the governor, for the discharge of his duty. Those who wish to acquire a competent idea of the principles of American law and policy, will meet with a great degree of satisfaction in the perusal of this pamphlet; which deserves to be distinguished from the rubbish with which every political question that arises in this land of statesmen is usually overwhelmed.

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If (as there seems no reason to doubt of it) the letters now published are genuine copies of those written by governor Bernard, that gentleman was really much less an enemy to the cause of the Americans than has been represented, and the publication of them will of course be of advantage to his reputation.

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709. A LETTER to DR. TUCKER. Vide article 513.

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We are sorry that the argument in this letter, which we think a good one, is not supported by better talents than those of this writer.

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710. LITERARY LIBERTY CONSIDERED. Vide article 319, 460.

Contains some very just, seasonable and spirited animadversions on the licentiousness of the press; particularly that of news-papers. Written with a view of pleasantry, as well as with a great degree of solid and convincing argument.

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711. QUERIES, RELATIVE to the COMMON-PRAYER. Vide article 332.

The author of the performance now before us, in a very modest and respectful manner, and at the same time with that seriousness and earnestness that becomes a minister of the gospel points out several important particulars to his superiors, that deserve attention.

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The author of this tract submits a great number of queries, concerning points which he thinks exceptionable in our *Common-prayer-book* and ecclesiastical discipline, to the consideration of those who have it in their power to promote a further reformation. His questions are of considerable importance and proposed with the greatest modesty and deference to the judgment of his superiors.

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The production of Francis Wollaston, L. L. B. F. R. S.

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712. *An ATTEMPT to STATE, in an impartial manner, the PRINCIPAL ARGUMENTS betwixt the CHURCH of ENGLAND and the DISSENTERS.* Vide article 331.

This attempt is conducted with decency and a becoming spirit; but the dissenters, we apprehend, will not allow that the author has placed their objections to the church of England in a clear and strong light. He reduces their chief objections to the eight following particulars, viz. baptism, confirmation, kneeling at the sacrament, Athanasius's creed, burial office, episcopacy, canonical obedience, and the 20th. article. There are other objections, however, which he has omitted, and on which the protestant dissenters lay great stress.

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Stating the objections and subjoining an abridgment of the answers which have been given by some of our principal controversial writers, in favour of the church of England.

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713. *The true NATURE and infinite IMPORTANCE of RELIGION and CHRISTIANITY, opened and vindicated.* 12mo. 35 pages
Printed at Dublin, by S. Powell.

A plain and rational account is here given of religion natural and revealed; and both are displayed in that engaging view, which may serve to *allure* mankind to practise the duties which they inculcate. This little tract may be very useful where greater books could not be purchased, or might not be perused. It is written, we are informed, by a worthy clergyman of Dublin, who has printed a numerous impression, at his own expence, in order to distribute the copies among those to whom he had any expectations of doing good, by so well intended and suitable a present. *Monthly Review.*

714. GLASSE'S SERMON *before the Marine Society.* Vide article 621.

Those who are desirous of information, with respect to the nature, utility, and state of this very peculiar charity, may read this publication, in which they will meet with full satisfaction as to particulars required, and an excellent sermon into the bargain. *Monthly Review.*

715. FRANKLIN'S SERMON *before the society for the relief of debtors.* Vide article 507.

Sensible and persuasive, and well fitted to enforce the exercise of that particular kind of charity it is intended to recommend. *Monthly Review.*

716. *A SERMON preached at W——n.* Vide article 506.

A trifle, struck off at a heat, in that *a-la-volée* sort of way, often mistaken by authors for the impetuosity of inspiration. This minikin sermon was written in three hours; it might have been written in one, and the writer have no reason to reason to glory in his exploit. *Monthly Review.*

717. *A PHILOSOPHICAL ANALYSIS and ILLUSTRATION of some of SHAKESPEARE'S CHARACTERS.* Vide article 646.

In examining these characters, the author of the treatise before us professes, that his intention is to make poetry subservient to philosophy, and to employ it in tracing the principles of human conduct. These purposes, in our opinion, he has fulfilled with ingenuity and discernment. His introduction abounds with excellent observations on the study and nature of the human mind. After mentioning the pleasure which the study of pneumatology is likewise capable of affording, he proceeds to relate the causes of the slow advancement of our knowledge

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knowledge respecting this subject. In short, from the whole of this volume, it evidently appears, that Mr. Richardson is an accurate observer of the secret springs which direct the emotions of the heart. The work discovers both philosophical penetration and good sense; and while it lays open the most secret sources of the passions, it also inculcates many useful precepts tending to moderate their excess. *Critical Review.*

The stile of this book is perspicuous, elegant, and interesting, and the work shews Mr. Richardson to be a man of great philosophical abilities, deep penetration, and sage discernment. *Edinburg Mag.*

18. DAWSON'S CASES in the RHEUMATISM and GOUT. Vide article 624.

These cases, which appear to be faithfully related, contain an account of several cures performed, or great benefit received from the use of the *tinct. guaiac. vol.* taken in the quantity of half an ounce made into a draught with common water, in the acute rheumatism or gout: and indeed from the variety of them, the efficacy of the medicine recommended appears in a very favourable light. This manner of administering the tincture of guaiacum was first introduced in Guy's hospital by Dr. Munkley with success. *Critical Review.*

Dr. Dawson appears by this treatise to have stepped out of the common track, in the use of the tincture of guaiacum, increasing the power and extent of the medicine, by enlarging the dose to double its usual quantity, and by a variety of cases we see that he happily succeeded. The cases are drawn up with great plainness, not with the usual ridiculous parade of physical writings; the observations and remarks are sensible and judicious, and the humane author's chief view in the publication appears to have been, the reducing the proportion of human misery, and exciting the physicians to pursue a similar method of improving the efficacy of medicines. *London Mag.*

19. An ESSAY on the most effectual means of PRESERVING the HEALTH of SEAMEN in the Royal Navy. And a dissertation on fevers and infection. Together with observations on the jail distemper, and the proper methods of preventing and stopping its infection. By JAMES LIND, M.D. 8vo. 6s. Nicol, St. Paul's Church Yard.

This volume consists chiefly of treatises formerly published by the author at different times, and now much enlarged, with the additional advantage of a more methodical arrangement. In the essay on preserving the health of seamen, we find a chapter relating the means of obtaining fresh water at sea by distillation,

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distillation, wherein Dr. Lind lays claim to the important discovery. In the chapter on the jail distemper, he recommends two different modes of practice; the first is by fumigating the apartments of infected places with tobacco. His other method of extinguishing infection is by fire, strong fumigations of charcoal and sulphur; but we cannot concur in opinion with this ingenious and intelligent physician, so as to think them sufficiently efficacious. The other treatises here published, have formerly met with approbation, and are yet further entitled to it in the improved state in which they now appear.

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720. *The CHAINS of SLAVERY.* Vide article 470.

The intelligent author of this work has pointed out the many specious pretences under which the liberties of mankind have been often attacked by artful administration; and in a manner that will reflect credit on his abilities. He seems to have set Montesquieu before him as a pattern for the manner of treating his subject, and has diligently sought for examples, in both ancient and modern history, of the arts by which princes have undermined public liberty; and, not confining his researches to these, has shewn how far other causes, some of them intended, perhaps, to promote liberty, have proved detrimental to it. The schemes of oppression mentioned in this work are very numerous, and, indeed, the writer seems to have exhausted the subject; but, however necessary it may be to acquire a knowledge of them, the study excites but gloomy reflections.

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721. *An ENQUIRY into the PRACTICE of IMPRISONMENT for DEBT.* Vide articles 1195, vol. ii. & 19.

The diligent author of this pamphlet has taken a deal of pains to refute the positions advanced by Mr. James Stephen in his late pamphlet relative to the practice of imprisoning debtors, viz. that the said practice is contrary to common-law, *magna charta* and statute-law. That he has succeeded, appears evidently by the authorities produced in support of his opinion.

Critical Review.

722. *MORRISON'S ADVANTAGES of an ALLIANCE with the GREAT MOGUL.* Vide article 656.

In the present situation of national affairs, the subjects treated of in the publication before us, appear highly deserving of the most serious consideration. After some very sensible preliminary observations, Mr. Morrison proceeds, in a very concise, perspicuous manner, to give the great lines of the Mogul history.

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history, with a general view of the state of the Hindostan empire, from Aurengzebe to the present time. He then lays before us his own motives for engaging in this very uncommon and interesting embassy, together with his correspondence on this subject with the governors and commanders in chief at Bengal; through the whole of which we perceive a very honourable conduct, with an uncommon degree of perseverance in his endeavours to accomplish a very important and a very laudable object. The advantages appear certainly very great, and the facts in general upon which Mr. Morrison proceeds, seem to be exceedingly well founded, and his conclusions sufficiently warranted from what experience has already taught us; whilst his propositions not only have utility, expediency, and even necessity to recommend them, but are supported with every idea of humanity and justice. There are many judicious reflections interspersed through the whole, but none more striking than those which he offers in relation to the impossibility of restoring the trade of the company's provinces, by the late, or indeed, any regulations they can possibly make, unless tranquillity is established throughout the whole empire. We recommend therefore, the perusal of this pamphlet to every man who interests himself in the welfare of his country.

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723. PRINCIPLES of TRADE. Vide article 668.

In this pamphlet are contained some very sensible observations on bounties, coin, and paper credit. The author argues for bounties, especially for corn; is a great friend to paper credit, but does not give us sufficient reasons for an opinion he starts relative to coin, that the unit or standard ought to be in the scarcer metal. We are surprised that a sensible man should indulge in such an affectation of misspelling so many words, *al*, *comodity*, *fol*, *fil*, *folow*; and this extends to the absurdity of using words in one meaning, which have, when rightly spelt, a signification entirely different, as *needles* for *needlefs*.

Critical Review.

724. LETTER to GOVERNOR POWNAL, on BREAD. Vide articles 475, 558.

A catch-penny of twenty-two pages, loosely printed, which contains not twenty-two lines of information.

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Sensible and spirited.

London Magazine.

725. KENRICK'S ADDRESS to the ARTISTS, &c. Vide article 640.

The great purport of this well-written pamphlet, is to persuade artists and the authors of mechanic inventions to agree in

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in an application to parliament for an exclusive right to such inventions. The author's reasoning is acute, and some of his observations convincing. *Critical Review.*

726. *ARCANA.* Vide *articles* 101, 432.

This writer treats of the following subjects; candor in controversy, uniformity in religion, the right of private judgment, civil magistracy, innovation, orthodoxy, persecution, and sophistry. He entitles his letters *the principles of the petitioners*, because they contain what he takes to be the real sentiments of the petitioners. He also styles them *Arcana*, "not because the gentlemen concerned in petitioning have kept them so, but because people seem not to have taken sufficient care to understand what they have published, and therefore plead for and against they know not what." In this publication he does not attempt to give us an accurate explanation of the principles of the petitioners, but only some cursory remarks in favour of religious liberty, moderation, and candour in controversy, the impossibility of compelling all mankind to embrace the same religious opinions, the absurdity and iniquity of persecution, &c. The author appears to be a person of liberal sentiments, and extensive reading. *Critical Review.*

727. *An ANSWER to a PAMPHLET, intituled, Considerations on the Propriety of requiring a Subscription to Articles of Faith.* 8vo. 52 pages. 1s. Printed at Oxford, and sold by Fletcher, Oxford; and Rivington, St. Pauls's-Church-Yard, London.

A sensible reply to article 178.

Universal Catal.

This pamphlet, if we are not deceived by a similarity of style and manner, is written by the president of Corpus-Christi college, Oxford. In the controversy to subscriptions, we have had some former publications by the same hand. Our readers therefore are not unacquainted either with his religious notions or his *controversial talents*. *Critical Review.*

728. *SENTIMENTS for FREE DEVOTION.* Vide *article* 799 *vol ii.*

The author of this tract is an advocate for free devotion to extempore prayer. But his arguments are easily obviated; the principal one of which is, that forms of prayer suppress every aspiring thought which may arise, and check the very spirit and life of devotion. *Critical Review.*

729. *The JUSTICE and UTILITY of PENAL LAWS for the DIRECTION of CONSCIENCE, examined.* Vide *articles* 231, 394.

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In the former part of this tract, the author endeavours to show, that penal laws for the direction of conscience, in the affairs of religion are inconsistent with the personal rights of man, the nature of moral obligation, the common principles of society, the end and design of all just government, the institution of legal punishments, the nature and spirit of the Christian religion, and that subjection which we owe to God and man, dictates of our own reason and conscience. In the latter part, he examines the use of those fines and penalties, to which dissenting non-conformists are still exposed in this kingdom; and then proceeds to answer all objections which may be urged against that liberty of conscience for which he is an advocate. There is great acuteness and spirit in this pamphlet.

Critical Review.

COWPER, on the DISTINCT POWERS of REASON and REVELATION. Vide articles 488, 581.

Dr. Cowper (who is now no more) seems to have been one of those writers who have laid it down as a maxim in christianity, that we should captivate our understanding to the obedience of authority.

Critical Review.

PRIESTLEY'S INSTITUTES of NATURAL and REVEALED RELIGION. Vol. III. 12mo. 3s. bound. Vide articles 585, 611. i. 1222, vol. ii. and 294.

In this volume the author treats of the doctrines of revelation, concerning the attributes of God, the various duties required of man, the positive institutions of Judaism and Christianity, the government of christian churches, the future expectations of mankind; and, in an appendix, of other intelligent beings besides man, and of abstinence from blood; and differs in opinion from several writers.

Critical Review.

LINDSEY'S SERMON, at the opening of his chapel. Vide articles 521, 587.

Calm and dispassionate.

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A rational discourse on unity, and on the reasons which induce christians to form a separate congregation distinct from the national church. Annexed is an account of his reformed liturgy, in what respects it differs from that of the late Dr. Samuel Johnson.

Gentleman's Magazine.

FARINGDON-HILL. A Poem. Vide article 638.

Poetical descriptions of local scenes owe, in general, the greatest part of their beauties to pleasing allusions, adventitious circumstances, and agreeable episodes. The author of this poem

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poem has chiefly trusted for embellishment to the natural fitness of his subject, which he places in the most advantageous point of view. The versification is smooth and flowing, and on the whole, we may admit that the motto which the author has chosen is not inapplicable.

Fies nobilium tu quoque montium.

The whole hath much merit.

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734. GOLDSMITH'S RETALIATION. Vide articles 499, 500.
However frivolous the occasion and nature of this *jeu d'esprit* may be, it is a production which will reflect no discredit on the genius of the author. The members of the club are characterised in a poetical strain of panegyric or delicate satire, which good humour and a facetious turn of thought are equally conspicuous.

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735. MIRTH, a Poem. Vide article 511.

This poem which is written in blank verse, is too serious to suit its title; but its poetry is not void of merit; tho' the author has made use of some feeble and awkward expressions.

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736. FELL'S POEM, on the TIMES. Vide article 623.

The subject of this poem may be said to be *O tempora! O mores!* In point of sentiment and smoothness of cadence Miss Fell deserves great encomiums; but we wish she had been more attentive to her rhymes.

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Miss Fell's muse is tolerably poetic and exceedingly loyal.

London Magazine

737. POEMS, by a youth, small 4to. writing paper, forty pages and one of dedication by permission to JOHN GRANT, one of the barons of the court of Exchequer, 2s. sewed. Price for the author, and sold by P. T. Hoggins, James-street, Covent-garden.

Supposing this youth to be under fourteen years of age, the poems are passable. Written by Henry W. Ellercamp.

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These poems contain the blemishes of Miss Fell's without the merit. The meditation in Westminster-hall is neither verse nor prose. We would advise this youth to meditate on any thing rather than poetry; as his poems seem not to lie in a talent for metrical composition.

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8. LOVE, FRIENDSHIP and CHARITY; a POEM. *Written by a gentleman for his amusement, 4to. 1s. 6d. W. Shropshire, Bond-street.*

Extremely dull. We heartily wish for our sake as well as his own, this gentleman had attended to that excellent precept of Horace,

Tu nihil invita dices faciesve Minerva.

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In lines of ten syllables.

9. POEMS. *Vide article 327.*

Mercy on us, what a poet have we here! Dryden and Pope are mere children compared to him.—Such strength and sublimity of thought—Such fire and boldness of expression!—And, Homer, all must yield the palm of merit to this truly great and original writer.

Critical Review.

10. THEATRICAL PORTRAITS. *Vide article 657.*

When portraits are drawn in the view of displaying wit and humour, it may well be supposed that the painter is not very scrupulous in preserving the features of the original. This remark is frequently verified in the portraits before us. But if they are not always delineated with justice, they have for the most part, an epigrammatic turn of thought to recommend them.

Critical Review.

11. The PARTHIAN EXILE; a tragedy, as performed several times at Coventry and Worcester. By G. DOWNING, Comedian; 8vo. 86 pages, with 1 of prologue, written by Mr. GREENWOOD of Worcester, and 1 of dedication to DEANE SWIFT, Esq; 1s. 6d. Printed for the author at Coventry, by J. W. Piercy, and sold by G. Robinson, Pater-noster-row, London.

A number of sounding periods, couched in blank verse, is not the principal requisite in a tragedy; but it is the chief merit of *Parthian Exile*. That fine glow of sentiment which animates the favorite heroes of tragedy, and that fascinating softness which endears its heroines, are here sought in vain. The thoughts are generally overstrained, the plot and catastrophe uninteresting, and the style frequently turgid. If we remember right, we have seen a farce, written by Mr. Downing, which hath much more merit than the present tragedy. Properly in the comic walk he might not be unsuccessful.

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12. MORE'S INFLEXIBLE CAPTIVE. *Vide articles 329, 525.*

The subject of these piece is the behaviour of Regulus at his

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return from Carthage to Rome. As there are no intricacies in the plot, the tragedy is little more than the story of that hero sacrificing himself to the interest of his country, thrown into dialogue. The language seldom falls below the dignity of the subject and the rigid virtue of Regulus (that virtue which seems to have bordered on phrenzy) is so well portrayed as to command our admiration, however extravagant it appears.

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Superior to many tragedies that have been lately honoured with the manager's approbation and acceptance.

Westminster Magazine.

743. KEAN'S NEW METHOD of FINDING the LONGITUDE.
Vide article 523.

This method of finding the longitude is certainly new, and appears to be rational, useful and easy, as it may be understood and put in practice by every mariner who is capable of taking an observation, and working the rule of three by logarithms. We are therefore of opinion, that the production of this ingenious author, should it not claim a parliamentary reward, will prove of the greatest service to seafaring men in general.

Critical Review.

744. *The BRITISH MARINER'S ASSISTANT: containing several tables adapted to the several purposes of trigonometry and navigation. To which are prefixed an essay on logarithms and navigation epitomized, &c.* By BENJAMIN DONN. 8vo. 6s. Law, Avemary-lane.

In this volume Mr Donn has given most of the tables now used in navigation, disposed in a very neat, compact, and orderly manner, having contrived them so as to possess as little room as they will admit of. These tables are mostly selected from various other books, with some few improvements, and some new ones; the chief of which are these; viz. the traverse table is enlarged; a new table is given for finding the latitude by the north star; a table for finding the time of high-water on new principles; and tables of the new, full, and quarter moon for several years to come, the last not accurate. The author has prefixed to these tables a short essay on logarithmical arithmetic. A compendium of plane trigonometry, in one page. A compendium of spherical trigonometry, in two pages. Navigation epitomized, containing a few of the chief theorems. A short description of the tables, with some uses of many of them. Also a short compendium of astronomy, &c. Although we think the work before us a very useful set of tables for nautical purposes, and that our author appears to have merit in the contriving

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triving and adopting of such things; yet he is deficient in the arrangement of his subject, nor are his definitions always proper.

Critical Review.

745. *A NEW INTRODUCTION to the KNOWLEDGE and USE of MAPS, rendered easy and familiar to any capacity. To which is added an appendix, containing remarks on Dr. Solander and Mr. Banks's voyage to the southern hemisphere. And also some late discoveries near the north pole, with observations astronomical philosophical and geographical.* 12mo. 3s. Crowder, Pater-Noster-Row. Vide articles 664. 453, vol. ii.

We recommended a former edition of this work to those who were desirous of obtaining a competent degree of knowledge in geography and the use of maps without the help of a teacher. In this new edition, which is the third, there are added several very curious and useful improvements, together with an appendix, containing an extract of a voyage towards the south pole, made by commodore Byron, captain Cook, and others.

Critical Review.

746. *TEMPLE'S ESSAY on the CLERGY.* Vide article 632.

The author mentions some of the benefits derived to mankind from revelation, shews the utility of the clerical character, proposes a plan of study to the younger clergy, and points out the views with which they ought to engage in their sacred function. He considers the stile and manners in which the clergy should address their congregations in the pulpit, the causes which have contributed to lessen the influence of religion and its ministers, and the external appearance and recreations becoming the character of a clergyman. He gives some reasons why it seems the duty of the instructors of the people to interest themselves in the public welfare, and lastly, endeavours to evince the propriety and necessity of a subscription to articles of faith. In the course of this essay, the learned and worthy author has suggested many useful and important observations; but he seems to have dispatched some of his subjects without precision or any depth of investigation.

Critical Review.

This writer is well acquainted with his subject, and hath given many judicious rules respecting the views, educations, and studies of the clergy.

Lond. Magazine.

747. *The FRIEND.* Vide articles 359, 554.

The subjects of which this publication consists, are friendship, benevolence, choice of company, reputation, self-knowledge, humanity, gaming, the importance of time, &c. The work is copied from a little tract on friendship, by the marchioness de Lambert. Perhaps the whole is a collection from the works

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works of the preceding writers. In point of morality it is unexceptionable.

Critical Review.

A very stale collection from the *Rambler* and other periodical collections, well known to and in the hands of every person acquainted with the English classics. *Westminst. Mag.*

748. BAYLY'S HEBREW GRAMMAR. Vide article 627.

Dr. Bayly, in two or three instances, makes the Hebrew more guttural and rough. For example; he pronounces *y* (o) like *gn*, and *z* like *gh*. We own ourselves partial to the grammar of the late Dr. Gregory Sharpc. However, as Dr. Bayly assures us he has collected what he could from every preceding master, his performance cannot fail of being very serviceable to young students, in learning the first principles of the Hebrew tongue.

Critical Review.

749. *The GRAMMARIAN'S VADE-MECUM.* Vide article 491.

This little manual may be (as the title page promises) an assistance to the memory of young beginners. *Critical Review.*

750. *A TOUR to SPA.* Vide article 502.

751. *EXCURSION into NORMANDY, &c.* Vide article 503.

We do not remember to have seen more trifling journals than these, which are evidently by the same author, and probably the same tour split into two journals. They contain nothing of arts, manufactures, commerce or agriculture, for which some books of travels are valuable; no judicious and meaning criticisms on works in the fine arts; no confirmation of prices, travelling, manners, or customs, which are useful in others; in a word, here is no thing you can want, but every thing that you would not desire.

Critical Review.

752. *The BENEVOLENT SUFFERER; or the history of Mr. Cameron.* 12mo. 2s. boards. Printed at Edinburgh, and sold by Dickson at Edinburgh, and Cadell, Strand, London.

This novel, we are told, is the production of a young lady, and the emoluments to arise from it are destined for the use of an elderly gentlewoman, whom distress and misfortune have oppressed, and who has known better times. We can assure our readers, that it possesses a merit, which is not always to be met with in performances of the same kind. It is affecting and moral.

Edinburgh Mag.

PUBLICATIONS of JUNE.

753. *ASTRONOMIC DOUBTS: or an enquiry into the nature that supply of light and heat, which the superior planets may be supposed to enjoy.* By PHILIP PARSONS, B. A. rector of Egham in Kent. 8vo. 46 pages. 1s. Printed at Canterbury by Simmons and Kirkby. Sold by Joseph Johnson, St. Paul's Church-yard, London.

This writer modestly wishes to have it thought, that Mars, Jupiter and Saturn do not receive their light and heat from the sun; he advances no proof for this assertion, but builds it merely on conjecture. Their being at so great a distance from the centre of their system, is to him a convincing argument, that all the heat and light they can possibly receive from it, is inadequate to the purposes of life and vegetation: he supposes therefore, they must benefit by the light and heat of the fixed stars.

754. *STRICTURES on MILITARY DISCIPLINE, in a series of letters, with a military discourse: in which is interspersed some account of the Scotch brigade in the Dutch service. By an officer, 8vo. 212 pages, with 6 of preface, 3s. sewed. Donaldson, St. Paul's Church-yard.*

The author of this treatise is a Scotch officer in the service of Holland; of some abilities, both as an author and a soldier. This volume contains some useful remarks on several detached parts of the duty of an officer, and on the art of war in general: together with a catalogue of several very valuable military books.

755. *A TOUR in SCOTLAND, and voyage to the Hebrides, 1772. Small 4to. writing paper, 369 pages, with 11 of itinerary, index, &c. 4 of preface, 45 copper-plates, and an engraved title-page. 1l. 4s. boards. Printed at Chester, by John Monk.*

The substance of a ten weeks ramble in the western parts of Scotland and the western isles, by the ingenious Mr. Thomas Pennant, author of the *Tour to Scotland in 1769*, of which a third edition, 4to. with 23 new plates, is just published. In the course of this volume we meet with many things entertaining and curious. It is written in the form of a journal, with occasional digressions and observations, but with a peculiarity of style that is rather disgusting. The plates are prettily engraved, and principally by Mazell.

756. *The COMMENTARIES upon the APHORISMS of DR. HERMAN BOERHAAVE, the late learned professor of physic in the university of Leyden, concerning the knowledge and cure of the several diseases incident to the human bodies. By GERARD VAN SWIETEN, M. D. Translated into English. Vols. XV, XVI, XVII, XVIII. 8vo. 1482 pages, with 181 of materia medica, 122 of indexes, and 7 of preface. 1l. 4s. boards. R. Horsfield, Ludgate-street.*

It is now thirty years since Dr. Van Swieten published the first volume of this work; and though since that time Boerhaave's

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baave's aphorisms, have lost much of their reputation, the age being more enlightened, still the great abilities of Van Swieten, and his excellent commentaries, have kept them in repute, and made them valuable in the medical world. These 4 volumes are a continuation of the former 14, and complete the work. The 5th treats of the small-pox, written before Mr. Sutton introduced his method; but Dr. Van Swieten takes an opportunity of saying, in his preface, That he is well perswaded, from experience, Mr Sutton is possessed of no secret or specific; that the success of his inoculation depends on the manner of performing the operation, introducing the *variolus pus* between the cuticle and the cutis, when the patient is in a good state of health, and keeping him in the air; and even the taking of physic before and after the disorder is unnecessary. The 16th volume treats of epidemic diseases and the stone; the 17th, of the venereal disease and the rickets; and the 18th, of the rheumatism. This volume also contains Boerhaave's *materia medica*, or formulæ of medicines, which have been frequently mentioned in the preceding volumes; an alphabetical list of authors cited in the course of the work, pointing out the editions, and where printed; and a general index to the whole publication. The former volumes may be had of the publisher of these. Those who are possessed of the former, would do well to complete the set, the present publication being uniformly printed for that purpose. Van Swieten is since dead.

757. *The DEPOPULATED VALE: a Poem*, by Mr. CONWAY. 4to. 20 pages, with 2 of address to the Reviewers, and one of poetical dedication to the Dutchess of Gloucester. 2s. T. Swift, Charles-street, St. James's-square.

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aps are but 4 inches by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, and the description of each is
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59. *Moral DISCOURSES on PROVIDENCE and other important
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ham in Cheshire, 2 vol 8vo. 936 pages, with 12 of dedica-
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3. The one thing needful. 4, 5, 6, 7. Love an essential attri-
bute of God. 8, 9. The different judgment of God and man.
10, 11. Moral reflections on the history of Joseph. 12. Vin-
dication of Joseph's ministry. 13. Seriousness, or a moral and
Christian duty. 14. Reflections on the parable of the rich man.
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60. *A LETTER to the Solicitor-general: being an appendix to a
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These chapters are written in the scripture stile, and are a bad imitation. They are in favour of the Americans. The letters mentioned in the title, are on the same subject, and taken from the news-papers, where they appeared, in the month of March and April last, under the signature, *An old English merchant.*

762. *PERJURY. A Satire.* By GEORGE WALLIS, author of *The Juveniliad.* 4to. 30 pages, with 2 of dedication to *Honesty.* 2s. Printed for the author, by C. Etherington at York; sold by J. Bell, Strand.

Severely lashing in heroic, metre some living characters under feigned names, who, through the semblance of honesty greatly impose upon mankind. By the author of article 110, the poetry of which is of a piece with this.

763. *The MILLENNIUM: or a dissertation on the most prosperous state of the church of Christ here on earth for a thousand years.* By JOSEPH GREENHILL, M. A. Rector of East-Horsley, and East-Clandon, in Surry. The FIFTH edition, with large additions. 8vo. 58 pages, with 33 of preface. 1s. E. Johnson, Ave-maria-lane.

Had Mr. Greenhill, by his additions, rendered his treatise easier to be understood, this edition would have been more valuable; but it is as untelligible as the last.

764. *LOGICA GENEVENSIS continued, or the first part of the fifth check to Antinomianism, containing an answer to the finishing Stroke of Richard Hill, Esq. in which some remarks upon Mr. Fulsome's Antinomian creed, published by the Rev. Mr. Berridge, are occasionally introduced. With an appendix upon the remaining difference between the calvinists and the anticalvinists, with respect to our Lord's doctrine of justification by words, and St. James's doctrine of justification by works, and not by faith only.* The SECOND edition. 12mo. 90 pages, with 4 of contents. 1s. R. Hawes, Lamb-street, Spitalfields.

More food for the elect, by J. Fletcher, of Madeley, author of article 1466, vol. i. To this is added the second part of the fifth check, containing a defence of "Jack-o'-lanthorn" and "the Paper-kite," i. e. sincere obedience; — of the "cobweb," i. e. The evangelical law of liberty; — and of the "valiant serjeant IF;" i. e. The conditionality of perseverance, attacked by the Rev. Mr. Berridge, M. A. Vicar of Everton, and late fellow of Clarehall, Cambridge, in his book called *the christian world unmasked.* Written with some humour.

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These pieces, in point of poetical merit, are on a level, and both written in heroic measure, but greater allowance must be

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made for the first, as we are told it is a very juvenile attempt; the latter, however, is the most entertaining, being designed to shew, that virtue, health and content, are the sure attendants upon peace; whereas the former is a panegyric only on the freedom of this country.

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Scenica Fregenza di Tito, an opera of *Metastasio*. The design of this work is, in answer to the author of *Remarks on the writings and genius of Shakspeare*, to remove false, or mistaken, or unjustly severe censures that have been passed on foreign writers; and to shew the partiality or prejudice of those, by whom our own are frequently as unjustly venerated: and, in the execution of this design, he allows Shakspeare to have great merit as a comic writer, still greater as a poet, but very little as a tragedian; that he is extravagant to the last degree, pays no regard to the necessities of time and place, and that he abounds in the low and vulgar, in short, that he does not adhere to truth, but deviates from all the necessary rules of dramatic composition. He avers that Corneille and Racine, though not without their defects, are in general superior to Shakspeare in regularity, and that the effect their pieces produce upon the stage, and that Voltaire exceeds them all. Passages, by way of exemplification, from these and the classics, are occasionally introduced, but not translated; and, however the author of this work may differ from the generally received opinion, his remarks though necessary, are not unimportant.

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Article 955, vol. ii. reprinted, which see.

775. *The DRUID'S MONUMENT, a tribute to the memory of Dr. Goldsmith; by the author of the Cave of Morar. 4to. 10 pages. 6d. T. Davies, Russell-Street, Covent-Garden.*

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8vo. 38 pages, 24 of which relate to *Hawke*, and an etching of the hero of the piece by way of frontispiece. 1s. J. Swan, Strand, facing Norfolk-street.

Little more than what has been collected from news-papers.

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We need say nothing more of this publication, than repeat what is said on the title page to shew its utility, viz. The standing orders, which have been made in this session of parliament, for previous notice to be given at the Michaelmas quarter sessions or the peace, and in the country news-papers, by persons intending to apply for private bills, were the occasion of this collection being published; as these orders are indispensibly necessary to be observed by all gentlemen who intend to enclose their estates, and by all surveyors, engineers, agents and solicitors, who are likely to be employed in the prosecution of bills for turnpike roads and navigable canals.

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This book is strongly recommended by L. Lochée, master of the military academy at Chelsea. Time will undoubtedly be saved in working some operations after this author's manner; but it is a doubt with us, whether the publication is so curious as represented; and we are convinced it is not totally different from all that has preceded it.

783. *The PRIEST DISSECTED: a Poem, addressed to the Rev. Mr. ———, author of Regulus, Toby, Cæsar, and other satirical pieces in the public papers. By the author of the new Bath guide. 4to. 31 pages, with four of advertisement, &c. and an emblematical vignette engraved in the title-page. 2s. 6d. Printed at Bath, by S. Hazard, and sold by Doddsley, Pallmall.*

Some clergyman having occasionally lashed the author of this poem in the *St. James's Chronicle* and the *Bath Journal*, this piece is published by way of retort, and the parson has met with his match; though we must say, Mr. Anstie appears to a much greater advantage as a poet and a satyrist in his *new Bath guide*. The measure of this piece is heroic; and it is prefaced with some few stanzas occasioned by reading a very satirical copy of verses highly reflecting on Mrs. *****'s poetical assembly at Bath-Easton. Mr. Anstie has not done with his antagonist here, but promises us a continuation of the subject, in which we find Mr. Baldwin, printer of the *St. James's Chronicle* is to come in for a whipping.

784. *A SPEECH intended to have been spoken on the bill for altering the charters of the colony of Massachusetts-bay, 8vo. 36 pages, with 3 of advertisement. 1s. T. Cadell, Strand.*

If we are to believe the title-page of this pamphlet, the author is some nobleman, as it is addressed to the upper house. It is sensibly penned, much to the purpose, and in favour of the Americans.

785. *A PRACTICAL ESSAY on a CEMENT and artificial stone, justly supposed to be that of the Greeks and Romans, lately discovered*

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covered by Monsieur Lorient, master of mechanics to his most christian majesty, for the cheap, easy, expeditious and durable construction of all manner of buildings, and formation of all kinds of ornaments of architecture, even with the commonest and coarsest materials. Translated from the French original, lately published, by the express orders of the above monarch. 8vo. 51 pages, with 2 of dedication to the king. T. Cadell, Strand.

Monsieur Lorient, who makes no secret of this discovery, after an indefatigable enquiry into the nature of the Roman mortar, found it to be a cement, that, from a liquid, turned very quickly to a solid state, and hardened, with time, as plaster does; that acquired a surprising degree of tenacity, and laid such hold of the smallest stones, as scarce to bear being parted with; that it was impenetrable to water, and continued always of the same bulk, without either swelling or shrinking. This known, he applied himself to find out, if possible, a similar cement, and discovered, in the year 1765, the mixing of powdered quicklime, with any kind of mortar, or cement made with slaked lime, will answer all the purposes of the Roman cement. He has proved it by experience, finds it is neither subject to cracks or flaws, gives no way to the greatest dryness or moisture, heat or cold, in the air, but encreases, with age, in solidity, and compactness.

86. *A LETTER humbly submitted to the perusal and consideration of the ELECTORS and PEOPLE of ENGLAND. By a gentleman.* 8vo. 58 pages, with 2 of dedication to the duke of Richmond. R. Baldwin, Paternoster Row.

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13. Matt. x. 28. 14. Acts xvii. 28. 15. Matt. xxv. 28, 29,
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ness of mankind. This done, the author considers, in separate
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with freedom. Many passages from those writers are, where ne-
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establish the actual baseness of the heart, to explore its causes,
and lay open the melancholy consequences that must result
from so foul a source. Hence he builds this doctrine, which
indeed

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indeed seems to be the drift of the whole essay, that as man is thus utterly incapable of performing one good action, he has nothing to do but to rely wholly on the merits of his redeemer. The work is very tedious and dry, very indifferently drawn up, and we may venture to pronounce, that as it appears so very unfavourable in so small a compass, when swelled out into a larger bulk, it must be intolerable.

790. *An ESSAY on PUBLIC HAPPINESS, investigating the state of human nature under each of its particular appearances, thro' the several periods of history to the present times.* 2 vols. 8vo. 800 pages, with 26 of additional notes, 56 of index, 4 of contents, 3 of advertisement, and 2 of dedication to Edmond Jennings, Esq; 12s. bound. T. Cadell, Strand.

This is a translation from a French author, a man of parts and good historical knowledge, with some notes by the translator, the initials of whose name we believe to be J. K. The work is divided into three sections, and those subdivided into chapters. The subjects of the sections are, considerations on the lot of human nature in the *earliest* ages of antiquity; on the *middle* ages, and among the *modern* nations; and the result of his observations are, that in government we are drawing nearer and nearer to perfection. The work will be found instructive and entertaining, and the translator's notes are judicious.

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792. *OBSERVATIONS on DR. WILLIAMS'S TREATISE upon the GOUT.* By Mr. DANIEL SMITH, author of a Letter to Dr. Cadogan, with remarks on the same subject. 8vo. 44 pages. 1s. Printed at Bristol, and sold by T. Cadell, Bristol, and T. Cadell, Strand, London.

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rine baths, more particularly the latter : he highly approves of riding, walking, fowling and the game of battledore and shuttlecock ; he objects to Dr. Williams's allowance of three things at a meal, even when the fit is off ; he approves his directions touching the manner of cooking meat, the division of meals, &c. and admits his reasons to be conclusive. As to medicines, he entertains little hopes from alteratives ; he has found benefit from castor and saffron, but despairs of a radical cure either from internal or external means. As we would not wish to deny the author any merit his readers may discover, in this publication, we would have our silence on it favourably interpreted. Vide article 1296, vol. ii.

793. *A TREATISE on CHILD-BED FEVERS, and on the METHOD of PREVENTING them* Being a supplement to the books lately written on the subject. To which are prefixed two dissertations ; the one on the brain and the nerves ; the other on the sympathy of the nerves, and on different kinds of irritability. By THOMAS KIRKLAND, M. D. 8vo. 172 pages, with 8 of index, 2 of contents, 4 of dedication to Mr. Charles White, surgeon, of Manchester, and one of advertisement. 3s. sewed. R. Baldwin, Pater-noster-Row.

The author, Dr. Kirkland, of Ashby, objects to the received opinion of the moderns, asserting the puerperal fever to be a disease *sui generis*, and believes it liable to many objections, and productive of ill consequences : he lays down principles not generally known, to explain which, he prefixes two dissertations, one on the brain and nerves, and the other on the sympathy of the nerves. In the first, the brain appears to him to be a mucus, or a gelatinous substance, of a particular kind and not fibrous according to many. Experiments are brought to illustrate what he advances, and his reasons from analogy seem to favour his doctrine. In the 2d dissertation, he touches on what is called the *consent of parts*, and admits sensation may be conveyed to particular parts by means of the ganglions. He distinguishes irritability into inflammatory, and spasmodic ; and many cases follow from his own practice which throw a light on what he endeavours to prove. We now come to his dissertation on puerperal fevers ; to give a clear idea of which, he first considers the *pregnant* and *puerperal* state ; the nature of fever happening to women after delivery is investigated ; many cases are brought to view in which he shews the different causes of puerperal fevers, the symptoms from an inflammation of the uterus, abdominal viscera, putrid blood, effluvia, and from the placenta : and concludes the first chapter with remarks on the milk and milliary fevers. In the second chapter he treats of their cure, the effects of purging, bleeding, and favours

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with a variety of cases. He next considers the use of vomits, opium, camphire, blisters, and bark, the manner of treating the puerperal fever from any of the preceding causes, the method of preventing them, and management during pregnancy, and in the extraction of the placenta, coagulated blood, with particular directions in every alarming circumstance; and concludes pointing out methods to prevent hospital, or epidemic fevers. This work is designed by the author as a supplement to the late writers on puerperal fevers, and may be reckoned a very valuable publication, and the best vade-mecum practitioners in midwifery will meet with for some time. It was written in consequence of a letter from Mr. White of Manchester.

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This history is collected and abridged from various writers, and interspersed with a number of judicious observations. In perusing it we have met with considerable entertainment and some information. The late revolution in the Danish court too recent and too little understood, to allow the historian to say much on the subject, and therefore the reader must not expect an account of it in the present performance.

Monthly Review.

We here find the detail of uninteresting transactions avoided, and the narration restricted to those that are important; at the same time, however, the reader is gratified with much more than the account of mere revolutions; for we here meet with a compendious history of Denmark from the earliest period to the present age. Besides the history, this work contains a full distinct and judicious representation of the political state of Denmark.

Critical Review.

In this history, Dr. Andrews has omitted the fabulous parts, and begins with the close of the eighth century, bringing it down to the accession of the present king: but the learned author is rather defective in describing the Danish history from the year 1648, to that of 1660; for we have not a word respecting its connections with England during that period, though very important.

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This work, for which the public is indebted to Lord Shaftesbury, the very ingenious author of the *elements of criticism*, will afford both entertainment and instruction to the generality of readers. It contains many pertinent and curious observations on a great variety of useful and important subjects, some of which, indeed, are treated in a way somewhat superficial and imperfect, and others with less precision and accuracy than their importance deserves. The author's style, though not elegant, is, in general, plain, easy and perspicuous; disfigured, indeed, occasionally, with vulgar phrases, low turns of expression, and sometimes with illiberal reflections. The work, however, upon the whole, has a very considerable degree of merit. A love of liberty and of mankind appears throughout; the author's views are enlarged, his knowledge

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is extensive, and many of his remarks are extremely acute and ingenious : in a word, both the philosopher and the politician may derive no small advantage from an attentive perusal of his performance ; for though both the philosophical and political reader will, no doubt, often differ from him in opinion, yet the hints which he throws out occasionally, may open new views to each, and lead to very useful and important enquiries.

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Without possessing the acute discernment of Protagoras, every reader of taste will immediately discover that the sketches before us flow from the pencil of an Apelles. Deeply skilled in human nature, the writer passes mankind in review before him, discriminating whole nations and individuals from their most savage condition to the highest stages of culture, civilization and luxury, by nice characteristical touches which had escaped preceding moralists. Lord Kaimes has filled these volumes with curious erudition, entertaining anecdotes, and uncommon historical facts, and has reared upon that foundation a specious fabric of whimsical systems and speculations, which, at least, yield amusement, if it produces not instruction. We every where admire the writer, and wish that his fine talents had been more usefully employed than in gleaning from a common-place-book the sweepings of a learned repository, already culled for the public emolument. In short, the work is divided into chapters and sketches, consisting of various parcels of disjointed materials, strung together by a slight philosophical thread, almost invisible to readers of common attention, tho' men of keener perception will be able to trace a connexion.

Critical Review.

There is not, perhaps, in the English language, a book which furnishes so great a variety of materials, and so much ingenious remark and conjecture as the work before us ; for the philosopher, the statesman, the man of taste, and the naturalist, will here find views and observations of the highest importance in their several departments.

Edinburgh Mag.

Great reading and great abilities are here displayed ; the style is very correct and perspicuous, a few scotticisms excepted. Much new curious and pleasing information is contained in the work, and it cannot fail of being welcomed into most libraries.

Westminster Mag.

802. EUNOMUS. Vide *article 1309, vol. ii.*

That the author of these dialogues is, or has been a professed lawyer, cannot be doubted. The scene of these dialogues is laid at the country house of Eunomus, a lawyer of eminence ; he is visited in his retreat by Policrites, a young gentleman designed for the same profession ; between whom the substance of the

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the first two volumes are supposed to pass. In the third an additional speaker is introduced. Philander, an accomplished gentleman, lately returned from travelling. With regard to the general character of the work, its merit is of a mixed kind. In some respects it breathes a spirit of liberty: in others it is rather favourable to high notions both in church and state. The author possesses considerable vigor of imagination and very extensive learning. His composition is free, easy and manly; but, at the same time, greatly deficient in elegance and correctness.

Monthly Review.

There are some inaccuracies in the style of this work, but the curious contents amply atone for every defect.

Gentleman's Mag.

Sensible and judicious, but dry, prolix and pedantic.

Westminster Mag.

23. *A NEW SYSTEM, or an analysis of ANCIENT MYTHOLOGY: wherein an attempt is made to divest tradition of fables, and to reduce truth to its original purity. In this work is given a history of the Babylonians, Chaldeans, Egyptians, Canaanites, Helladians, Ionians, Leleges, Dorians, Pelasgi: also of the Scythæ, Indoscythæ, Ethiopians, Phenicians. The whole contains an account of the principal events in the first ages, from the deluge to the dispersion: also the various migrations, which ensued, and the settlements made afterwards in different parts: circumstances of great consequence, which were subsequent to the Gentile history of Moses. By JACOB BRYANT, formerly of king's-college Cambridge; and secretary to his grace the late duke of Marlborough during his command abroad; and secretary to him as master general of his majesty's ordnance. Vide article 592.*

Mr. Bryant is one of those men who in our own day, are masters of the profoundest erudition, and who do not come behind the most distinguished names of the last century, for their attention to every the minutest circumstance that may be the means of elucidating the darkness of the earliest ages. The learning with which this work abounds must, at once, excite the notice of the most cursory reader. Nothing in the ancient Greek and Roman literature, however recondite, or wherever dispersed, seems to have escaped our author's sagacious and diligent investigation. But depth of erudition is not from being Mr. Bryant's sole praise. The elaborate production before us is equally distinguished for its ingenuity and novelty. In point of novelty, it is, indeed, singularly striking. It departs from the commonly-received systems, to a degree that has not yet been attempted, or thought of, by any man of learning; and even those who may entertain the greatest doubts concerning the truth and solidity of some things

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which are here advanced, will be ready to allow that several parts of the author's scheme are highly probable, and that other parts of it have a very plausible appearance. His hypothesis is, therefore, undoubtedly deserving of an attentive examination; his purpose being, throughout, to give a new turn to ancient history, and to place it upon a surer foundation. The work is to be continued.

Learned critical and ingenious.

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Westminster Mag.

804. *The CAVE of MORAR.* Vide article 639.

We cannot say much in praise of this poem. The author's meaning, however, seems to be good.

Monthly Review.

A legendary tale has something in its nature apt to impose upon the imagination, by the venerable robe of antiquity in which it is usually veiled. This circumstance may give an appearance of merit to a composition, which in reality possesses very little of the spirit of poetry. *The Cave of Morar*, however, is not so much indebted to deception as to have no claim to the favourable verdict of criticism.

Critical Review.

There is no small share of fancy and poetry in this tale.

Westminster Mag.

805. DOWNMAN'S INFANCY, *Book I.* Vide article 616.

This little poem relates to the management of children; and the author writes as a judicious physician, a good poet, and an excellent moralist; for his medical directions and poetical talents, seem to be all so much devoted to the service of humanity and virtue, that we cannot but heartily wish him success in the prosecution of his plan.

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806. LOVE, FRIENDSHIP and CHARITY. Vide article 738.

Miserable.

Monthly Review.

So far from being amusing, that it will be found disgusting.

Westminster Mag.

807. HERO and LEANDER. Vide articles 494, 603.

The translator of this poem seems willing to believe that it belongs to the Muses of high antiquity, but all evidence, both internal and external, is against it. We have seen much more agreeable translations of it in rhyme.

Monthly Review.

A very indifferent blank-verse translation.

Westminster Mag.

808. *The ADVANTAGE of MISFORTUNE.* Vide articles 498, 606.

An unphilosophical string of rhymes.

Monthly Review.

The morality of this bagatelle is more exceptionable than its poetry.

Westminster Mag.

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809. CATULLI, TIBULLI, PROPERTII OPERA: *Londini typis. J. Brindley, sumptibus. J. Murray, Fleet-street. 12mo. 3s.*

Dr. Harwood has carefully corrected this little neat volume of Catullus, Tibullus and Propertius, after the best editions.
Monthly Review.

810. A PASTORAL BALLAD. Vide article 643.

A parody of Shenstone. It is impossible to read this humorous and ingenious piece without laughing immoderately.
Monthly Review.

811. PEACE, a Poem. Vide article 768.

Middling verses in praise of mediocrity, or that state of life which is equally free from the distresses of poverty, or the plagues of riches.
Monthly Review.

The author describes the blessings of peace, or tranquility of mind, in a strain of middling poetry.
Critical Review.

812. CONWAY'S DEPOPULATED VALE. Vide article 757.

Poor Mr. Conway! We hope his friends will take care of him, and see that he does no worse mischief than printing a few crazy rhymes.
Monthly Review.

813. FELL'S POEM on the TIMES. Vide articles 623, 736.

Miss Fell is a very indifferent rhyme-tagger.
Monthly Review.

O monstrum horrendum.—Tantæne animis celestibus iræ?
Westminster Mag.

814. FARRINGTON-HILL. Vide articles 638, 733.

It is saying the least that can be said of the author of this poem, when we pronounce, that he is not destitute of poetical talents; but no talents could render pleasing a long description of a fine prospect, when the several parts of it, which is composed, are not rendered interesting by some well imagined circumstances and transactions.
Monthly Review.

Poetry!—mere poetry! and *That* by no means equal to the subject.
Westminster Mag.

815. POEMS. Vide article 739.

Poet. "Yet doubly happy, could I justly claim
"One PUFF of merit from the trump of fame!"
Reviewers. PUFF!
Monthly Review.

816. GAMBOLD'S MARTYRDOM of IGNATIUS. Vide article 1267, vol. ii.

Mr.

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Mr. Gambold was a principal leader of the sect known by the name of *Unitas Fratrum*, and had in his youth a great fondness for dramatic pieces. When plays founded on scripture histories were customary in this country, this piece, in honour of the martyrdom of Ignatius, had it appeared then, would probably, have been looked upon as a capital performance; and it will, no doubt, even now, be considered as a very edifying work by many devout readers. As Mr. Gambold's tragedy could not be intended for representation, it is not written in conformity to the established rules of stage composition; and therefore, as the editor justly observes, it affords no room for criticism on dramatic principles.

Monthly Review.

817. STEWART'S TWO ENGLISH GENTLEMEN. Vide article 483.

We hope this is the *first*, and that it will be the *last* offence of Mr. Stewart against the public.

Monthly Review.

818. A PLAN to RECONCILE GREAT-BRITAIN and her COLONIES. Vide article 522.

A very futile plan.

Monthly Review.

819. A SHORT VIEW of the HISTORY of the COLONIES of MASSACHUSETTS-BAY, with respect to their charters and constitution. By ISRAEL MAUDUIT, The second edition. To which is now added the original charter granted to that province, in the 4th of Charles I. and never before printed in England. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Wilkie, St. Paul's Church-yard.

The first edition of this tract was published four or five years ago, and without a name. The copy of the charter will be a very acceptable addition to those who wish to investigate the grand question of legislation between the colony and the British parliament.

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This gentleman was lately a warm advocate for the dissenters of *old* England being released from the severe penal laws against them. Now he is a zealous advocate against their brethren in *new* England, not indeed in a religious, but a civil respect. Mr. Mauduit asserts the right of the legislature to tax the colonies.

London Magazine.

820. ANSWER to Considerations on certain political transactions of the province of South Carolina. Vide article 514.

Answer! Yes, it is an answer with a vengeance! from a most coarse and virulent antagonist, who defeats whatever advantages argument might afford him, by the gross illiberality of his language.

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21. TWO CHAPTERS of the LOST BOOK of CHRONICLES. Vide article 761.

The scripture stile pretty well imitated. The author is a
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send to New England.

22. The SUBSTANCE of the EVIDENCE delivered to a committee of the house of commons, on the LINEN TRADE. Vide article 615.

Mr. Glover, the author of *Leonidas*, &c. has, at a very advanced stage of life, exerted himself in a laudable manner, to investigate and explain the late complaints concerning the linen manufacture; and he has traced them up to a cause which a superficial observer would not have reached. He is very severe throughout on the Scots projectors, Scots bankers and Scots smugglers, and has possessed himself of a variety of facts to support his representations. His language is rather too florid for a subject relating to dry matters of fact. *Monthly Review.*

Manly, judicious, spirited and polite. Mr. Glover hath clearly stated the causes of a decline in the British and Irish manufacture of linen, and of the numerous emigrations of people from the North; and fully proved that neither one nor the other is imputable to an encreased import of foreign linen, to any abuse in those imports, but to a restless, intemperate, avaricious, rapacious spirit which prevailed in Scotland, distinguished by a series and variety of projects concerted without knowledge, and without system, executed by rashness, and supported by the pliant purse of their neighbours, under the illusion of a temporary but false capital. Mr. Glover hath shown, also, the proper remedies to cure the distemper, and his evidence is worthy of the public regard. *London Magazine.*

23. A LETTER to LORD NORTH. Vide article 667.

A high-strained panegyric on the conduct of our premier. The author declaims with rapture on the principal events of Lord North's administration; but no great satisfaction, we apprehend, can accrue to the reader from such promiscuous praise of a statesman; and little credit, therefore, can redound either to the author or his patron, from this publication.

Monthly Review.

24. PRINCIPLES of TRADE, 2d. edition. Vide articles 668, 723.

The principles here epitomised are such as are already well known and adopted, but the reader will be greatly embarrassed by an affected system of orthography. *Monthly Review.*

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825. *The CHAINS of SLAVERY.* Vide articles 470, 726.

There are many important observations in this work, respecting the principles and practices of despotism, by which nations are brought to slavery and ruin. This performance is intended as an alarm-bell, to rouse and terrify us; but the author, though he possesses a considerable fund of knowledge relative to his subject, writes with too much intemperance, and too little regard to decency to effect any great good by a publication, the very title-page of which is enough to prejudice all but the lowest of the vulgar against him; and we may indeed refer to it, as a sufficient specimen of the writers manner of treating the Lord's anointed, and the rulers of the people.

Monthly Review.

This is truly a patriotic performance by an intelligent and spirited writer. The prefatory address to the electors, contains many excellent sentiments.

London Magazine.

Spirited, sensible and intelligent, but partial, violent and enthusiastic.

Westminster Mag.

826. *The LIBERTY of the PRESS CONSIDERED.* Vide article 630.

Warm, rhapsodical declamation in behalf of liberty in general, and the liberty of the press in particular. We approve the patriot, but we cannot praise the writer, whose zeal outstrips his judgment, and sometimes even leaves both sense and grammar behind.

Monthly Review.

Written with too much warmth and acrimony. The author seems to have made an experiment, in order to try how far the liberty of the Press may be extended.

Critical Review.

827. *The REPORT of the LORDS COMMITTEES, respecting MASSACHUSETTS BAY.* Vide article 665.

828. PRICE'S ADDITIONAL PREFACE to his Appeal to the public. Vide article 312.

829. ELLIS'S HISTORY of COFFEE. Vide article 311, 448.

This publication is of an interesting nature to the nation and well deserves the attention of all our West-India planters and merchants, and of the legislature.

London Magazine.

830. MAWWOOD'S LETTER to the SOLICITOR-GENERAL. Vide article 760.

The *Monthly Review* passes no opinion on either of the above four articles.

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831. MORRISON on an ALLIANCE with the GREAT MOGUL. Vide articles 656, 722.

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There is something plausible and dazzling at first sight, in the reveries of this pompous and opinionated commander in chief and plenipotentiary ; but our men of business of all parties have in general smiled at and neglected them. We think the pamphlet, however, amusing ; and should have read it with more pleasure, if it had been entitled, *The Adventures of John Morrison, Esq. General, &c.* for his plan of alliance with the Mogul is the plan of a madman.

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In this pamphlet, the public have a concise, cheap and perspicuous account of the state of India. Many regulations and particulars are pointed out also, which, if duly regarded by the higher powers, will be of great service to the East-India company, and to the nation in general. As Mr. Morrison is not acknowledged at our court, in his character of ambassador, the proposed treaty of alliance will come to nothing. Many worse treaties, however, have been accepted and ratified than what is here offered. The advantages of Mr. Morrison's arrangements seem to be clear, immediate, honourable and great ; and we wish the legislature and East-India company to pay good attention and respect to the contents of this pamphlet, they do not to the writer of it, in his public character.

London Magazine.

2. *A COLLECTION of LETTERS and ESSAYS in favour of public liberty.* Vide article 341.

The subjects of these letters are various, but chiefly consist in animadversions on the conduct of the English clergy, the tenderness of the church towards papists, the appointment of a Roman bishop over Quebec, the scheme of introducing episcopal government in the other colonies, the controversy concerning a reformation of the thirty-nine articles, the character of archbishop Secker, &c. We are told that the greater part of these letters owed their existence to the accidental meeting of a few gentlemen, at a place of public resort in the summer of the year 1764 ; who, though unknown to each other before that time, were not long in mutually discovering their common attachment to the principles of public liberty.

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3. *An ESSAY concerning the ESTABLISHMENT of a national BANK in IRELAND.* Vide article 461.

This author appears to understand his subject. The pamphlet is wholly political.

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4. *A CRITICAL ENQUIRY into the LEGALITY of PROCEEDINGS consequent upon the GOLD ACT.* Vide articles 40, 613.

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We entertain no very high opinion of this *critical enquirer's* talents as a writer, and no very favourable one of his abilities as a calculator and financier. Many of the reflections, however, that occur in the course of this enquiry are just and pertinent, though not always expressed with that decent respect for men in public stations, nor with that grammatical propriety which we might reasonably expect. There is an obscurity in our author's reasoning, and an inaccuracy in his language, which the attentive and candid reader must condemn.

Monthly Review.

835. KENNEDY'S DISCUSSION of some important and uncertain POINTS in CHRONOLOGY. Vide article 340.

A series of calculations, pursued with great labour in the view of ascertaining the true coincidence of the *Julian* with the *Egyptian* year, and consequently of discovering a very material error in the chronological computations of the famous archbishop Usher, by which our modern chronologers have been generally misled. Mr. Kennedy undertakes to point out and rectify this mistake; to determine, by means of this connection, the true year of the world, and to remove many difficulties which have hitherto perplexed the general system of chronology.

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836. *The* GRAMMARIAN'S VADE-MECUM. Vide articles 491, 749.

Those persons who are unacquainted with the meaning of the terms of grammar, will find this little book to be of use as it will furnish them easily with this knowledge. By having it continually with them, they will generally be enabled to understand terms of this kind, which may occur either in reading or conversation. The author adds a very short dialogue towards the end of his performance, in which he directs the supposed young lady, his pupil, to lay in a store of synonymous words, that she may not be obliged always to express the same idea, just in the same manner.

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837. FAMILIAR LETTERS from lady Morley, &c. Vide article 659.

There is so much good sense in these letters, and such a variety of entertaining stories, sketches of characters, moral observations, &c. &c. that we are really sorry to see the language frequently disgraced by low phrases and Scotticisms.

Monthly Review.

838. BOURN'S REMARKS upon Jacob's treatise on wheel-carriages. Vide articles 456, 1280, vol. ii.

F O R J U L Y.

An illiberal attack on Mr. Jacob, and on the committee of mechanics in the society of arts, &c. from which we can only learn that Mr. B. seems to be very angry, and disposed to fall out with every body that comes in his way. *Monthly Review.*

339. FOUR INTRODUCTORY LECTURES *in* NATURAL PHILOSOPHY. Vide *articles* 221, 590.

These lectures contain a compendious abstract of the fundamental principles of philosophy. The several Newtonian rules of philosophising, the properties of matter, the laws of motion and the powers that produce it are familiarly and intelligibly explained, and the whole is comprised within a very small compass. And though these sheets contain no new discovery, they furnish a very useful introduction to the student in philosophy, and not an unacceptable *vade-mecum* to the more accomplished. They are ascribed to Dr. Hamilton of Dublin, and are by no means unworthy of that ingenious professor, but rather add to the reputation he has already acquired. *Monthly Review.*

40. MACKENZIE, *on* MARITIME SURVEYING. Vide *articles* 213, 280.

A very complete and useful treatise, in which no instructions are omitted that are either essentially or incidentally necessary to the business of coast-surveying. And they have this considerable advantage to recommend them, that they are the dictates of experience. The surveyor in general, and the practical astronomer likewise, may derive many useful hints from this performance, though it is principally intended for the information of our nautical gentlemen. *Monthly Review.*

41. *The BOOK of COMMON-PRAYER REFORMED, upon the plan of the late Dr. Samuel Clarke: together with the psalms of David; for the use of the chapel in Essex-street.* 8vo. 4s. Johnson, St. Paul's Church-yard.

An account of this reformed liturgy may be seen at the end of Mr. Lindsey's sermon preached at the opening of his chapel. Vide *article* 521.

42. TUCKER'S RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE NO PART *of the* general PLAN *either of the* MOSAIC *or* CHRISTIAN DISPENSATION. Vide *article* 647.

Written with spirit and temper. We most sincerely recommend this excellent pamphlet to the perusal of all our contending divines. *Monthly Review.*

An excellent pamphlet. The reverend dean hath here shewn
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himself to be both an accurate writer and a warm friend to religious liberty in its utmost extent, even to papists.

London Magazine.

843. TUCKER'S VIEW of the DIFFICULTIES attending the TRINITARIAN, ARIAN and SOCINIAN SYSTEMS. Vide article 617.

This little pamphlet breathes the same christian temper which has generally marked the writings of the dean of Gloucester.

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Short, but comprehensive. The Dean's conclusion is, that the *Trinitarian system* hath great difficulties which human reason cannot pretend to master. The *Arian* full as great, besides distorting many plain passages of scripture; and the *Socinian* strips the christian of all comforts in the covenant of grace, and sinks the gospel into a system of mere morality.

London Magazine.

844. PRIESTLEY'S ADDRESS to PROTESTANT DISSENTERS on the subject of giving the Lord's-supper to Children. Vide article 485.

Dr. Priestley tells us, that the subject of his address was almost as new to himself, as it can be to any persons who meet with this publication. But having been more conversant with the ancient christian writers, and also having met with Dr. Peirce's essay on the subject, he says he is now, "on mature consideration, fully satisfied that *infant communion*, as well "as *infant baptism*, was the most antient custom in the christian church, and therefore that the practice is of apostolical "and consequently of divine authority." After endeavouring to shew that this was the antient and early practice of the church, he inquires how it came to be laid aside; and he concludes, that the denial of the cup to the laity, and refusing the Lord's-supper to infants, "had their rise from the same cause "and took place about the same time, and not till the doctrine of transubstantiation was fully established, which was "about the twelfth century."

Monthly Review.

845. RICCALTOUN'S WORKS. Vide article 336.

A variety of subjects are treated in these volumes. The doctrinal parts seem chiefly formed on the Calvinistical plan. There are several sensible observations, as well as pious and useful reflections, which will be attended to with pleasure by the well-disposed reader.

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846. REFLECTIONS on the LAW of ARRESTS in CIVIL ACTIONS. Vide article 614.

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The case of general Gansel, having excited much attention, somebody has undertaken to furnish a pamphlet, by controverting Lord Mansfield's opinion pronounced on his second arrest. But as the objector is the reporter, and who he is, nobody but his publisher knows; he may possibly buffet his an of straw at his pleasure, without any body concerning themselves in the quarrel.

Monthly Review.

7. CAMPBELL'S POLITICAL SURVEY of BRITAIN. Vide article 334.

At last hath this respectable veteran in the republic of science determined upon gratifying the expectation of his subscribers and the public. When we consider the amazing variety of interesting topics necessarily comprehended in so general a plan, and the difficulty of uniting in one uniform mass such opposite and discordant materials, we are less surprised at defects, than astonished with the talents which enable Dr. Campbell to engage attention through tiresome pages so devious and barren. Scarce had any former writers presumed to sketch so much as the outlines of a design equally laborious and extensive. Our best political compilers are short even in idea of what he has actually accomplished, the concentrating in one point of view every advantage of policy and industry, of nature, and of art, with which Providence has enriched the British empire. Dr. Campbell discovers in this great political survey, a most extensive knowledge of the commercial situation of the various parts of the British empire. The improvements which he suggests are founded on the clearest principles of national benefit; and if any of his projects should appear vast to be adopted, they at least evince the greatness of the author's conceptions, respecting the advancement of domestic policy.

Critical Review.

8. PRIESTLEY'S EXPERIMENTS on AIR. Vide article 651. Ingenious and curious.

Critical Review.

9. VARLO'S HUSBANDRY. Vide article 471.

The author of this work has travelled over the greatest part of the three kingdoms, seemingly in search of good husbandry, and mentions a variety of experiments he has made during many years; yet, throughout the three volumes, we have very little information of the management in different parts of these kingdoms, and as to the experiments, we have no satisfaction where and when made.

Critical Review.

10. KIRKLAND, on CHILD-BED FEVERS. Vide article 793.

We cannot help expressing an unfeigned satisfaction at seeing a person so respectable for medical experience, as this author, in favour

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favour the public with a supplement to the observations which have been made of late years on this subject. He delivers a distinct description of the symptoms of the puerperal fever arising from various causes; after which he proceeds to the method of cure, treating largely and usefully of the several evacuations and various medicines to be promoted or administered in the disease, and confirming, by many pertinent cases, the propriety of the practice he recommends. His observations respecting the means of preventing child-bed fevers, are equally judicious, and conformable to the generally supposed causes which produce them. His idea of the texture of the nerves, though it differs from the established doctrine, is not repugnant to the principles of the animal œconomy. *Critical Review.*

851. DALRYMPLE'S REMARKS *on the* HISTORY of SCOTLAND. Vide article 1285, vol. i.

Almost every subject which this acute writer has tried by the test of criticism, is unworthy the learning and sagacity bestowed. Less pains more judiciously applied, would have done honour to himself and promoted science. What avails it, whether a treaty ever subsisted between Charlemagne and Achatus, king of Scotland, since no single event of consequence depends on elucidating that dark period of history; yet hath Sir David Dalrymple, with most painful perseverance, waded through seas of wild conjecture, and volumes of monkish dullness, to deprive his country of the reputed credit of such an alliance. He has been equally laborious on other unimportant matters. *Critical Review.*

852. ALLEN'S AMERICAN CRISIS. Vide article 562.

Mr. Allen, who seems, by several passages in his pamphlet to have some employment under the secretaries of state, professes to write his own private sentiments on American affairs and not the *dictations* (as he expresses it) of any person. We see no reason to doubt of the assertion: had the ministry thought it necessary to employ a writer on the subject of American troubles, they would probably have employed one of much greater literary abilities than Mr. Allen. The subject of this letter is an endeavour to promote, on a permanent foundation, and upon equitable principles, the just sovereignty of Great-Britain over America, but it is exceedingly incorrect and far from being dispassionately written. *Critical Review.*

853. *The* ROMAN HISTORY in a SERIES of LETTERS. Vide article 315, 702.

We regret that the present letter-writer is so very ill qualified for the task he has undertaken. To those who choose

to laugh at a writer's ignorance, we heartily recommend this performance.

Critical Review.

A professed imitation of the plan of Dr. Goldsmith's well-known pocket *history of England in letters from a nobleman to his son*, but executed in a very unequal, inelegant, incorrect manner.

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54. A SPEECH intended to have been spoken on the bill respecting Massachusetts-bay. Vide article 874.

The method here recommended of governing the colonies is not by rigorous and coercive, but lenient and conciliating measures. It must be acknowledged that the arguments are founded upon liberal and benevolent principles, and this speech will at least afford evident proof of the amiable candour, ingenuity and philanthropy of the author.

Critical Review.

This performance does not exhibit great rhetorical talents, but contains many useful truths and judicious arguments which seem to have been overlooked.

Lond. Magazine.

55. A LETTER to Dr. TUCKER. Vide articles 513, 709.

This letter, as the author assures us, "is the hasty production of one, who never before wrote for the press." We expected he would have told us, what motive induced him to publish his remarks with so much precipitation; but he has not condescended to inform us. We read his pamphlet in hopes of making this important discovery; but we meet with no satisfaction.

Critical Review.

This writer thinks some late measures of administration to the empiricism of politics and the proceedings of government, with respect to America, to have been very reprehensible. He strenuously opposes Dean Tucker's proposal for separation, and thinks it would be ruinous both to Great-Britain and America. He is for no bungling temporary measures, and an un-doing to-day what was done yesterday; but commends the forming such a constitution for the British empire, which, while it provided for the proper pre-eminence of Britain, might also preserve the just rights of a free people in the provinces, and hand down the British empire as one compact body, with honour, stability and safety to the latest posterity. We would recommend this author, as he is cool, considerate and candid, to look about for men capable of forming such a constitution.

London Magazine.

56. An ALARM for illustrious ELECTORS. Vide articles 238, 429.

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An exhortation to choose real patriots at the next general election. *Critical Review.*

857. AMERICA VINDICATED from ingratitude and rebellion. Vide articles 474, 565.

This author proposes that the right of taxation over America should be renounced, and a parliament established on that continent. *Critical Review.*

858. A BRIEF REVIEW of the RISE, &c. of NEW ENGLAND, especially MASSACHUSET'S-BAY. Vide articles 476, 563.

Whether or not this representation be perfectly just, we must acknowledge, it has the appearance of being candid. *Critical Review.*

859. LETTERS of GOVERNOR HUTCHINSON, &c. Vide articles 232, 268.

860. A LETTER to Sir FLETCHER NORTON. Vide articles 242, 269.

The *Critical Review* passes no opinion on either of these articles. *Universal Catal.*

861. An ELEGY on the APPROACHING DISSOLUTION of PARLIAMENT. Vide article 637.

The motto which this author prefixes to his poem,

————— “ *Aliusque et idem*
“ *Nascitur.* ” —————

seems not to be very inapplicable to himself; for the elegy bears some marks of being the production of the feeble and prejudiced satirist, who, about two years ago discharged his offensive rhymes in the face of two great assemblies.

Critical Review.

The author prophesies instead of mourns. North is to command the treasury-bench, and Norton to be speaker.

London Magazine.

862. The IDES of JUNE. Vide article 780.

The ladies are certainly much obliged to this bard for endeavouring to preserve them from the temptations to which the author supposes them to be incident at this season, though they cannot entertain a high opinion either of the smoothness of his versification or delicacy.

Critical Review.

Good sentiments and tolerable poetry.

London Magazine.

863. ENGLISH'S NAVAL REVIEW, 2d. edition. Vide article 774.

This

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This poem is so much improved in the present edition, as to merit our approbation. Mr. English appears to be actuated with a laudable ambition of celebrating the naval review, and he has now produced a panegyric which is not unworthy of the British navy.

Critical Review.

64. *The DRUID'S MONUMENT.* Vide article 775.

If this little poem be not remarkable for elegiac sentiments, the defect is in a great measure compensated by the description, which is venerably picturesque.

Critical Review.

65. *RESIGNATION; or majesty in the dumps; an ode. Addressed to George Colman, Esq. late manager of the theatre-royal in Covent-garden.* 4to. 1s. Bew, Paternoster-Row.

The author of this poem discovers a lively genius and a vein of satirical humour, though, on the present occasion, they are very improperly directed.

Critical Review.

66. *POEMS, on several occasions.* By JOHN BENNET, a journeyman shoemaker. 8vo. 2s. 6d. Evans, Paternoster-Row.

Mr. John Bennet derived his taste for poetry from an early acquaintance with the pious strains of Sternhold and Hopkins, under the tuition of his father, a very melodious psalmodist, the parish-clerk of Woodstock. This rising genius was improved by the excellent instructions of their curate, the celebrated Mr. Warton, late professor of poetry, in the university of Oxford. Under these happy auspices he made such a proficiency in the art of versification, that he is now completely qualified to become the poet-laureat of his native town, to furnish the players there with prologues and epilogues, to write epitaphs for tomb-stones, and sail along the stream of time in company with the most renowned poetasters of the present century, under the banners of the late illustrious Stephen Duck.

Critical Review.

67. *JENNER'S LOUISA.* Vide articles 373, 533.

Tolerable,

Critical Review.

68. *ROGERS'S CHOICE.* Vide articles 364, 539.

Before Mr. Rogers writes any more poetry, we would advise him to consider, *quid valeant humeri, quid ferre recusent.*

Critical Review.

69. *ELSEFAIR and EVANDER.* Vide articles 219, 546.

Unfortunate lovers, but yet more unfortunate author!

Critical Review.

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870. HENRY and EMMA, *from Prior*. Vide articles 500, 707.

An alteration from a piece which can suffer no alteration with advantage. *Critical Review.*

871. *The TRINKET*. Vide articles 338, 573.

Containing a crude and undigested heap of characters, incidents and adventures tossed and thrown together without much meaning and less moral; we shall also add that the unravelling of the plot makes us not sufficient amends for the perplexities in which the piece is involved from its commencement to its conclusion. *Critical Review.*

872. BATE'S TRANSLATION of the PENTATEUCH. 4to. 1l. 4s. large paper. Vide articles 965, vol. ii. 252.

The editor of this work informs us, that the learned author, after more than thirty years indefatigable application to the study of the Hebrew scriptures, had it much at heart to publish a more accurate English translation of the old testament, than any which had yet appeared; together with such short annotations, as might seem necessary for the farther illustration of the sacred writings. He had accordingly brought down his work to 2 Kings xviii. 30, when he died. His ms. however, was committed to the care of a learned friend (probably Mr. P----k---st) who revised the whole, and continued the translation and notes to the end of the second book of Kings, which brings the sacred history to a remarkable period, the beginning of the Babylonian Captivity. *Critical Review.*

873. REVOLVIT CORMEUM. *The common English translation of the forty-fifth psalm carefully corrected according to the meaning of the Hebrew original; with a paraphrase and notes. Whereunto is prefixed, written in the year 1771, some account of the parish of Eccleston, near Chester; an essay towards a new and compendious method of topography: By THOMAS CRANE, second grammar master of the king's school in Chester. 8vo. 22 pages, with one of dedication to the dean and chapter of Chester. 1s. Printed for the author. White, Fleet-street.*

This publication is printed in a very humble form, and therefore ought to be exempted from the censure of critics; a poor man should not be the object of ridicule. We must acknowledge that we are indebted to Mr. Crane for some information, relative to the parish of Eccleston. We shall give our readers one instance of his singular accuracy. "The parish, says he, is not populous: for during six years, from 1760, to 1765, there were only 12 marriages, 28 baptisms, 45 burials; i. e. yearly on a medium, 2 marriages, 4 christenings; and two-thirds seven funerals and one half."

Critical Review.

74. SMITH'S OBSERVATIONS on Williams's Treatise on the Gout. Vide article 792.

Mr. Smith appears to be so warm a champion in the cause of the gout, that we might run the hazard of incurring the disease, should we enter into any dispute on the subject. But we cannot avoid declaring our dissent from his opinion, that the cold bath effects only the solids. *Critical Review.*

75. WALKER'S GENERAL IDEA of a PRONOUNCING DICTIONARY. Vide articles 376, 671.

Mr. Walker appears to be an ingenious philologist. His work promises utility; and we sincerely wish him success in his laborious undertaking. *Critical Review.*

76. OBSERVATIONS on the DISCOURSES DELIVERED at the ROYAL ACADEMY. Vide articles 217, 532.

Sir Joshua Reynolds having differed in opinion with the writer of these observations; he has drawn upon himself, the vengeance of this critic in a very severe reprimand and in a heavy censure on his own performances. *Critical Review.*

77. A New CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE of REMARKABLE EVENTS, DISCOVERIES and INVENTIONS; also the Æra of country, and writings of learned men, printed on a broad sheet. 4s. Knox, Strand.

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78. The SEAMAN'S USEFUL FRIEND and PLEASANT COMPANION. Vide article 418.

If not very pleasant, this pamphlet at least may be useful. *Critical Review.*

79. MIRROR for INOCULATORS. Vide article 147.

A Mirror, in which the absurdity of the author appears remarkably conspicuous. *Critical Review.*

80. The FRENCH TEACHER'S ASSISTANT; or a new and easy method to learn children to spell, read and speak French with propriety and elegance. In two parts. Part I. contains an easy spelling book, with proper rules for pronouncing. Part II. contains rudiments of the French language, in a number of familiar lessons, by question and answer; in which will be found not only all the necessary rules of grammar, but also those for the conjugation of every French verb, both regular and irregular; the whole written from practice, upon a plan entirely new, and

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What Mr. Salomon asserts in his title, that an English person who can read his own language may by means of this work teach French with facility and expedition, is certainly more than the truth; but it is no disparagement to the author's abilities, that he has not enabled people to do what is impossible. No man can teach a language with facility and expedition, unless he understands it; but if he does understand it, one set of rules may enable him to communicate his knowledge better than another. The first part of Mr. Salomon's book is exceedingly well calculated for assisting a master in teaching to spell and read French. The second part contains the most common rules of French grammar, disposed in such a manner, as to be very easily acquired, with some assistance from a teacher. His performance, therefore, may well supply the place of a grammar on a more extensive plan; or even, on account of its conciseness, be more serviceable to learners, than a multiplicity of grammatical rules, liable to various exceptions, too often discourage beginners. *Critical Review*

It is recommended as the most useful and easy book for learners extant, by thirteen schoolmasters. *Universal Catalogue*

881. SHARP, on the DISTINCTION between MANSLAUGHTER and MURDER. Vide articles 1209, vol. ii. 120.

The title-page of this performance, recites so much of its contents, that scarcely any thing is left, but to mention in what manner it is executed. Mr. Sharp has turned over the law books, selected cases and opinions relative to his subject, and given occasional remarks. He has also made quotations from the Jewish laws on the subject of which he treats, and very formally concluded the whole with

"Soli Deo Gloria et Gratia."

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882. The EVIDENCE (as taken down in court) in the TRIAL wherein the right hon. JOHN EARL of SANDWICH was Plaintiff, and JOHN MILLER, defendant; before William Lord Mansfield, and a special jury, in the court of King's-Bench July 8. 1773. 8vo. 1s. Bew, Paternoster-Row.

Besides the evidence, this pamphlet contains quotations from the speeches of some of the counsel on this remarkable trial, and Mr. Miller's narrative; as it has been printed in the newspapers. *Critical Review*

883. A REVIEW

83. *A REVIEW of the PRESENT ADMINISTRATION.* 8vo. 38 pages, with 6 of advertisement. 1s. T. Becket, Strand.

Had this political reviewer studied grammar with more attention, his panegyric on government would have appeared to greater advantage. From this defect, however, we may conclude, that the author is not a venal writer. *Critical Review.*

84. *EDWARD. A Novel. Dedicated by permission to the Queen,* 2 vols. 12mo. 6s. bound. Davies, Russel-street, Covent-garden.

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886. *An EXCURSION to the LAKES in WESTMORELAND and CUMBERLAND, August, 1773.* 8vo. 3s. 6d. sewed. Wilkie, St. Paul's Church-yard.

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of Wakefield, his Traveller and Deserted Village. It appears from this tract (if to be relied on) that he was the third son of nine, of a gentleman of small fortune at Roscommon in Ireland, that he was bred at the University at Dublin, and afterwards studied physic at Edinburgh, and notwithstanding this education and his great talents, that he was an usher at a school at Peckham, till he became a hireling writer to the booksellers.

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The rules and observations in this grammar are, as Mr. Barker tells us, selected from such authors as seemed best deserving of attention, particularly Mr. Parkhurst. Many of their superfluities are omitted, and some things essentially necessary supplied. The work is divested of Masoretic trammels, is concise and plain, and, in our opinion, had the sound of the words been given in English letters, would have taught the language to one who understands Latin, without the help of a master.

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912. *REMARKS upon the GARIANONUM of the Romans: the site and remains fixed and described.* By JOHN IVES, Esq. F. R. S. and F. A. S. 12mo. 54 pages, with 2 of advertisement, and 6 folding copper-plates. 3s. 6d. boards. S. Hooper, Ludgate-hill.

To those who are fond of antiquities this publication will be acceptable, particularly in the neighbourhood of Yarmouth. Mr. Ives places the *garianonum*, (which was the station of the *Præpositus Equitum Stabulianorum*) on the north side of Burgh Castle. Mr. Ives conjectures, that the rivers Thyrn, Yare and Waveny, were, 800 years ago, united a great way up, almost

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as far as Norwich, which was then a fishing town; that Yarmouth was built on a sand in the main sea, and that ships of great burthen passed behind it; in short that the country behind it was an arm of the sea, which has since receded. He has given a map of these conjectures, and they seem probable.

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919. *OBSERVATIONS on the act of parliament commonly called the BOSTON PORT-BILL; with thoughts on civil society and standing armies.* By JOSIAH QUINCY, junior, counsellor at law.

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law in Boston. 8vo. 80 pages, with two of preface and dedication to the freeholders of his country 1s. 6d. Printed at Boston, reprinted here. E. and C. Dilly, Poultry.

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ation, he has often been obliged to supply with conjecture, and matters obtained at second-hand. Neither is he, as an historian should be, impartial. He is evidently a caviller at administration, and great part of the work is taken up in pointing out the abuses in office, and recommending amendments. Indeed there are so many *digressivary* observations and reflections (if we may be allowed the word) that the publication is rather observations upon the commerce, laws, and government, &c. of Jamaica, than a history of the island. Very incorrectly printed.

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bell proceeds to enumerate and describe our rivers and ports and suggests to us several improvements which deserve the public attention. He has some striking, and we think, new observations on the benefits arising from the particular form and great extent of our coast. He then retires into the midland provinces and gives the materials of a complete dissertation on meadows, arable lands, mountains and metals. He next proceeds to the lesser islands, depending on Britain, and gives an affecting account of their present state: particularly of the Shetland Isles. In short the work is truly valuable and deserving the attention of every lover of this country.

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respect to certain externals in the religion of his country. He next proceeds to animadvert on the objections that have been made to his *essays*. After this follows a farewell sermon which he designed to have preached, and a letter or two relating to the *essays*, with an excellent story of a dervise applicable to himself.

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952. *The CUB.* Vide article 480.

The notorious object of this satire is here be-laboured with might and main, by the author who wields his weapons, such as they are, with his utmost spirit and vigour. *Monthly Review.*

953. *The DRUID'S MONUMENT.* Vide article 775, 864.

As this is probably the sincere tribute of friendship, were criticism to interfere upon the occasion, it might be deemed a kind of *sacrilege*.

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A baseless fabric truly.

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954. *IMPARTIAL CHARACTER of the late Dr. GOLDSMITH.* Vide article 902.

It is curious to observe how much the dead bard has been praised by people who seem not to have known the living man. But this writer has been enabled to come somewhat nearer to the truth, by venturing to step a little out of the beaten high road of panegyric.

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This character is drawn with an appearance of partiality. Whether the author's opinion is equally unbiassed with respect to the merit of those writers against whom he directs some satirical strokes, we know not; but we think that he ought to have confined his pencil to the features of the object he was delineating.

Critical Review.

955. *La FETE CHAMPETRE.* Vide article 904.

A satire on the *rural entertainment* given in June last, by Lord Stanley, at the *Oaks*, in honour of his approaching marriage. Poor.

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If the Fête Champêtre at the Oaks proved not more entertaining than this representation of some of the company, we cannot regret our not having seen it; and we are of opinion, that this author has little pretensions to the honourable meed, mentioned in the close of the following couplet, as it has to consonance with *worn*.

“ The Roman ensigns still are worn,
With olive chaplet laurel crown.”

A paltry catchpenny.

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956. THE APOSTATE ECCLESIASTIC, &c. Vide *article* 602.

This abuser of parson Horne appears to be a violent favourite with that "brave *Jersey Muse*," so justly celebrated in the *Dunciad*.

Here are rhimes equal to any of Pryn's:

Then the priest challeng'd (willing sure to shew his
Hatred still more) the *meek* Sir Watkin Lewis.

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Refus'd; so still survives th' Ecclesiastic,
Shorn of his beams, and grieves this fruitless last-trick.

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957. THEATRICAL PORTRAITS. Vide *article* 657, 740.

Pert and dull.

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958. POEMS by a YOUTH. Vide *article* 737.

A *forward youth*, this, we'll warrant him! but he should at least, have learnt to *rhyme*, and *scan* by his fingers, before he presumed to trouble the public with his---what d'ye call 'em---*verses* he, no doubt, will style 'em.

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959. THE COALHEAVERS. Vide *article* 892.

Embellished with a good shew of poetry and pleasantry.

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960. FREEDOM, a Poem. Vide *article* 767.

The author pleads for "the indulgence due to a very juvenile attempt." Very juvenile indeed, and much indulgence requisite.

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This little poem is represented as being the production of a very young genius, who displays, at least, a generous enthusiasm in favour of his subject.

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961. MACBETH and JULIUS CÆSAR, collated with old and modern editions. Vide *article* 626.

This sedulous collater goes on, with his *fo's* and *qu's*, and handsome frontispieces.

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962. DONN'S BRITISH MARINER'S ASSISTANT. Vide *article* 744.

Navigation is now become a very important and lucrative branch of school education; which will, in some measure, account for the variety of publications on this subject that are frequently issuing from the press. Every teacher finds it most convenient

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convenient to adopt a method of his own ; and we have therefore almost as many different books (if different they may be called) as we have public instructors. Mr. D. however, stands high in his profession ; nor do we mean to convey any reflection on the present performance by this general remark. His essay on Logarithms contains a clear account of their nature, construction, and use ; his compendium of navigation is reduced within a very narrow compass, on account of a design he had formed of adding a separate volume on that subject. His tables are more numerous than any which have yet been published in a single volume ; and no direction is omitted that may serve to render them generally useful. *Monthly Review.*

963. LAWSON'S, SYNOPSIS of all the DATA for the construction of TRIANGLES from which geometrical solutions have hitherto been in print. Vide article 504.

An useful companion to those who wish to know what has been already done towards the construction and solution of triangles, and where the several constructions and solutions are to be found. This is a work, however, which he can best execute who has leisure and opportunity for consulting the greatest number of mathematical books. After all, a summary of this kind requires so many symbols and contractions, that few will be fond of the labour of decyphering them. *Monthly Review.*

964. BOYER'S PROPOSAL for determining the longitude. Vide article 112.

Mr. B's proposal is sufficiently declared in his title-page ; and we shall only observe, that the longitude would long ago have been discovered with the utmost accuracy, were it as easy to execute as it is to project. The proposal before us seems to be a visionary scheme, which can answer no good end to the public, nor, we apprehend, to the author himself. *Monthly Review.*

965. A SPEECH intended to have been spoken on the bill for altering the charters of the colony of Massachusetts's bay. Vide articles 784, 854.

This unspoken speech, which is attributed to a right reverend member of a high assembly, does equal honour to the understanding and to the heart that dictated it. *Monthly Review.*

Sensible, ingenious, candid, and philanthropical.---Worthy of its author, the Bishop of St. Asaph. *Westminster Mag.*

966. THOUGHTS on the QUEBEC BILL. Vide article 937.

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Though the Quebec act is here justified on principles that must occur to any man of reflexion, who considers the circumstances of that colony with a tolerable degree of attention; yet as the generality of political declaimers in public companies, are not distinguished by the deepest penetration of thought, a clear explanation of matters, that become premature subjects of popular outcry, may be of great use in rectifying the apprehensions of those who rave at things before they understand them.

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The author of this pamphlet refutes, in a sensible manner, the various objections that have been made to the act, and shews clearly, in our opinion, that they are destitute of just foundation. Nor indeed can the case be otherwise, considering the argument respecting the treaty of peace, which ought ever to be held inviolable by civilized nations.

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Of a stamp with article 996, which see. *Lond. Magazine.*

967. *The LOCKET; or history of Mr. Singleton. by the author of Emily; or the Natural Daughler.* 12mo. 2 vols. 6s. Snagg, Pater-noster-row.

One of that numerous cluster of novels which, as the author of Juliet Grenville says, rarely seem to have any intention, but to waste or kill the time of those who are enemies to sentiment and reflection.

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968. EDWARD. Vide article 884.

Another of the cluster; but not destitute of sentiment.

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This is a very grave, and, by many readers, may be thought a very dull story.

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969. *The EVIDENCE in the Trial between Lord Sandwich and J. Miller.* Vide article 882.

The *Monthly Review* passes no opinion on this article.

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970. *The FUGITIVE MISCELLANY.* Vide article 520.

A literary hodge-podge.

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971. *A TRUE STATE of the Proceedings in the Parliament of Great-Britain, and in the Province of Massachusetts-Bay, relative to the giving and granting the money of the people of that province, and of all America, in the house of Commons, in which they are not represented.* Folio. 2s. Bingley, Fleet-Street.

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The nature of this publication is sufficiently evident from the title; it contains a chronological summary of the disputes between our parliament and our colonies, but more especially with that of Massachusetts Bay; and of the events that took place in the course of those disputes: together with such remarks as naturally arose from them, on the part of the Americans.

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972. *The SPEECH of the right honourable the Earl of Chatham in the house of Lords, upon reading the amendments of the Quebec Bill, &c. Vide article 896.*

Lest higher expectations should be formed from this title than the publication will answer, it may be proper to hint that these speeches come from no better authority than the common news-papers; being reprinted in the same loose form that the public have long since read them in, partly extracts, and partly a report of the general heads only, of Lord Chatham's orations.

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973. *A COMPANION for the Summer-house. Vide article 618.*

These pieces are chiefly of an agreeable sentimental turn and contain many characteristical remarks on different personages celebrated in ancient and modern history.

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974. *VOLTAIRES WHITE BULL, translated. Vide article 939.*

This translator has caught much of the manner of Voltaire himself; and falls very naturally into the humour and prophane-ness of his original. He has prefixed a long and lively preface; he has added a variety of comical notes; and he will, by some, be praised for his wit, and, by others, he will be censured for his wickedness.

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975. *LETTERS on USURY and INTEREST. Vide article 622.*

Those who think it worth while to bring modern usages to the test of the Levitical law and ancient Jewish principles, may be greatly edified by this Hebdomadal altercation.

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976. *SALOMON'S FRENCH TEACHERS ASSISTANT. Vide article 880.*

This little book was published by subscription. The title gives a sufficient view of its contents. The performance before us appears, according to the author's account, to be the effect of long experience: the plan seems to be somewhat new, and

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and the work to be executed with care and attention. On the whole, we apprehend the grammar is very well calculated to assist and perfect the scholar in reading and pronouncing French with propriety. *Monthly Review.*

77. *The COMPLEAT FLORIST.* Vide article 484.

The instructions here given may be useful to those who have very thing to learn, in the art of gardening. From the author's antiquated style, his astrological rules, and his silence with regard to some modern improvements in the culture of flowers, we conclude that this compleat florist went to sleep with his fathers above half a century ago. What old gardening book the editor may have stumbled upon, is not at present, within the bounds of our recollection. *Monthly Review.*

78. *DIDEROT'S ESSAY on BLINDNESS, translated.* Vide article 236.

A collection of anecdotes, relating to the blind, interspersed with curious observations on the use of the other senses, and the progress of the mind in acquiring knowledge under these circumstances of disadvantage. *Monthly Review.*

79. *TOMLINSON'S MEDICAL MISCELLANY, second edition.* With an appendix. Vide article 381.

The medical miscellany first appeared in detached numbers, and the author proposed to complete a volume every year. This publication has however been dropt for some time; and Mr. Tomlinson does not intend to resume it, as it is an undertaking too comprehensive to be carried on by a single person, and as it is in a great measure superceded, he says, by the *Edinburgh medical commentaries*, which are conducted on a similar plan. The appendix to this second edition of the medical miscellany, consists chiefly of cases of wounds and injuries of the head, published from Mr. Tomlinson's notes, which were written while he was a pupil at St. George's hospital. The appendix is sold separately, price 1s. *Monthly Review.*

80. *ARCANDAM'S ASTROLOGY.* Vide article 654.

Comes about a century too late.

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81. *BELWARD'S visitation SERMON.* Vide article 928.

82. *BROMLEY'S SERMON, at the Foundling-hospital.* Vide article 770.

83. *HORNE'S SERMON, at the Asylum.* Vide article 935.

84. *BETHUNE'S SERMON.* Vide article 915.

85. *A SERMON preached at Lambeth chapel at the consecration of*
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the Hon. and Rev. James, lord bishop of St. Davids, June 26, 1774. By PHILIP COCKS, M. A. rector of Aiton, Middlesex, and prebendary of Lincoln. Published by command of his Grace the archbishop of Canterbury. 8vo. 12 pages, 6d. Benj. White, Fleet-street.

A sensible discourse applicable to the occasion. The text 1 Tim. iv. part of the 16 verse. "Take heed unto thyself, and unto thy doctrine." *Universal Catalogue*

The *Monthly Review* is silent on the above five articles.

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986. BULKLEY'S CATECHETICAL EXERCISES. Vide article 660.

These discourses are intermixed with questions addressed to the young persons for whom they are designed, to which are added the answers they are supposed to return. These exercises appear calculated to answer the best purposes, if carefully attended to. *Monthly Review*

987. BURNET'S LIVES of Sir MATTHEW HALE, &c. PARSONS. Vide articles 472, 611.

Mr. Davies has here furnished a neat pocket edition of biographical tracts, with which the public have been long acquainted. *Monthly Review*

988. BAYLY'S HEBREW GRAMMAR. Vide articles 627, 741.

The author, in his dedication, has carried his encomium upon the excellencies of the Hebrew tongue to the very highest point to which the subject could be raised. The preface contains a number of judicious strictures on the language, on several writers who have composed grammars of it, both in ancient and modern times. With regard to the grammar itself which is here offered to the public, we think it one of the best we have seen; though, perhaps, it is not totally exempt from faults. Dr. Bayly's observations on the tenses, and upon the particle *vau*, are entitled to the very particular attention of every one who is desirous of understanding the nature and use of the Hebrew tongue. He neither absolutely condemns nor entirely approves the vowel points; but seems to consider them as a kind of version, equal in authority to any one of the same age; in which opinion we agree with him. *Monthly Review*

989. A LETTER to the archbishop of Canterbury. Vide article 610.

Containing some things that well deserve the Archbishop's serious attention. *Monthly Review*

Sensible, and much to the purpose *ad hominem*.

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990. *An ANSWER to a pamphlet entitled, Considerations on the Propriety of requiring Subscription, &c.* Vide article 727.

The candid and dispassionate reader will find very little edification in this answer, and will only learn, that the author is a zealous advocate for subscriptions to articles of faith, for the doctrine of the Trinity, for our present ecclesiastical establishment, &c.

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991. *PHIPPS's reply to NEWTON's Appendix.* Vide article 367.

Mr. Phipps seems desirous of having the last word, and renews several considerations which he had before offered.

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992. *HOPLEY's CHRISTIANI CULTUS: or the Ornaments of a Christian.* Vide article 357.

An argument of a great number of texts of scripture, under various heads, which may be usefully considered for the direction and improvement of life.

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993. *THOUGHTS on the ARTICLES of our RELIGION, with respect to their supposed utility to the state.* By CHRISTOPHER WYVILL, L. L. B. Rector of Black Notley, Essex. The third edition corrected. 8vo. 1s. White, Fleet-street.

The first edition of this valuable tract was published without the author's name; and we now insert the title of this impression, that our readers may know to whom they are obliged for so meritorious a publication.

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Published four years ago by the author of article 935, vol. i.

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994. *FLETCHER's LOGICA GENEVENSIENSIS continued.* Vide article 764.

Will these spiritual gladiators never be weary of cutting and slashing each other, for the diversion of the public?

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995. *SOLITARY WALKS.* Vide article 350.

Prose and verse; pious and calvinistic.

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As all who employ their pens in the service of virtue and religion, deserve to be favourably rewarded by the public, the author of these pieces is not without his share of merit. There are, indeed, but few sentiments and reflections in them, which are likely to engage the attention of the manly and discerning reader; but they are written in a sort of poetical style, and a strain of piety, which may probably be agreeable to those who are admirers of Hervey's works, or Pearfall's Contemplations.

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996. *A REVIEW of the present administration.* Vide article 883.

This pamphlet is intended to vindicate and extol the measures of the present ministry. The treaty with Spain, the fair of the East-India company, and the measures taken with the American colonies, are the principal subjects here considered, and each of them have the writer's applause. This disclaimer appears capable of good composition, but through haste and negligence, as we suppose, his expressions are often imperfect or inaccurate.

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997. *FALCONER, on the POISON of COPPER.* Vide article 887.

After giving a concise account of copper, and shewing what substances it is corroded, Dr. Falconer proceeds to mention the circumstances in which it is most likely to find admission into the body: and afterwards delivers many salutary cautions respecting the use of copper vessels. On the whole, he has performed a laudable service to the public, by endeavouring to excite their attention to a matter of so much importance to health; though we cannot acquiesce in the justness of some of his chemical principles.

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998. *PENNANT'S TOUR in SCOTLAND, in 1772.* Vide article 755.

The numerous scenes which the ingenious traveller and voyager has visited in this excursion, are described in a faithful and entertaining manner, while the most remarkable are illustrated with excellent engravings. Mr. Pennant having greatly enlarged the account of his first tour into Scotland, intends publishing his additional observations separately, for the use of such readers as have purchased that part of the work.

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Mr. Pennant hath shewn himself to be an inquisitive traveller, and his observations in general are very pertinent. He certainly surpasses all preceding writers on these subjects, and with indefatigable industry he hath endeavoured to procure from all parts of Scotland, any intelligence that could be of use to the work. The plates also of places most eminent in history, or distinguished by beauty, and of lately discovered antiquities are well executed. In short, every reader may be assured of receiving instruction and pleasure from the volume before us.

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999. *The BOOK of COMMON-PRAYER REFORMED.* Vide article 841.

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The celebrated Dr. Clarke, as the public has been already informed, took some pains in making alterations in his *Common-Prayer Book*. His manuscript, containing these alterations, is deposited in the British Museum. In that work he noted and altered some expressions and sentiments, which he thought improper. But his principal care and attention was employed in rectifying what he considered as an error, with respect to the object of religious worship. That is, he struck out or altered those prayers and invocations, which were addressed to Christ, and the Holy Spirit, and not to God, the Father. The editor of this compilation, Mr. Lindsey, has in general adopted the emendations of Dr. Clarke; and at the same time endeavoured to remove those blemishes and imperfections, in various parts of the Liturgy, which have been pointed out by several eminent writers. The present edition is only proposed as 'an essay towards a further improvement of the liturgy; and is intended to call forth the labours of others to make it a more rational and edifying composition,' fit to be transmitted to the remotest posterity. *Critical Review.*

1000. HOOPER'S RATIONAL RECREATIONS. Vide *article* 642.

Collections of the kind now presented by Dr. Hooper, have often been made before by persons very skilful, as Worster, Baptista Porta, bishop Wilkins, Ozanam, Van Etten, Leybourn, Guyor, &c. from all or most of whom the doctor professes chiefly to extract his materials, which he has at least arranged in very good order, and described intelligently. *Critical Review.*

1001. TUCKER'S *four* TRACTS. Vide *articles* 103, 255.

The first of these pieces contains a solution of the important question, Whether a poor country, where raw materials and provisions are cheap, and wages low, can supplant the trade of a rich manufacturing country, where raw materials and provisions are dear, and the price of labour high? The author clearly proves, that a poor country can never rival a rich one in the more operose, complicated, and expensive branches of a manufacture; and that it never can lose its trade, while it retains its industry. This tract was never printed before, and is now published as a kind of introduction to those that follow, or as a sort of basis, on which the succeeding arguments are chiefly founded. In the second tract, the author considers the case of going to war for the sake of trade; and endeavours to shew, that neither princes nor people can be gainers by the most successful wars; that trade will make its way to the country where

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where goods are manufactured the best and cheapest; that conquering nations neither manufacture well, nor cheap, and consequently must sink in trade, in proportion as they extend in conquest. This piece was first published in the year 1763, just after the conclusion of the war, and is the fragment of a greater work. Tract III. is a letter supposed to be written by a merchant in London, to his nephew in America. This was first printed in the year 1766, towards the close of the debate about the Stamp Act; and is calculated to shew the unreasonableness of the Americans in claiming an exemption from parliamentary taxes. In the fourth tract the author endeavours to point out the true interest of Great-Britain in regard to the colonies; and to explain the only means of living with them on terms of mutual satisfaction and friendship. *Critical Review*.

1002. MILLAR'S OBSERVATIONS *on* ANTIMONY. *Vide article 888.*

We have seldom seen any observations so vague, superficial and indecisive as those which are related in this pamphlet: and the charge which it contains against antimony is extremely unsupported, and in many places palpably inconsistent.

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1003. WILSON'S ENQUIRY *into the* MOVING POWERS *employed in the* CIRCULATION *of the* BLOOD. *Vide article 380.*

This enquiry is divided into seven propositions; the first is that the heart is not the fountain or origin of the motion of the animal fluids. The second is, that the blood in being subjected to the contractions of the ventricles of the heart acquires no quantity of motion that it was not possessed of before. In the third, it is affirmed that the arterial motion of the fluids does not necessarily depend on the impulses of the heart, but can be accomplished independent of any such force. In the fourth proposition, the author endeavours to prove, that the muscular power of the heart is not sufficient to impress such momentum on the fluids as to carry them to the ultimate limits of the circulation. In the fifth, he maintains, that there are other powerful agents always acting in the animal œconomy which, by a mechanical necessity, influence the progressive motion of the blood, as well where the powers of the heart can be traced, as where they cannot possibly reach. Among these the author reckons a tendency to motion in the fluids themselves. In the sixth proposition, he contends for the influence of another power, which he calls the principle of life; and

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the seventh proposition he declares himself of opinion, that both the primary and final intention of the agency of the heart in the animal œconomy, must be somewhat very different from, and less obvious than, the supporting of the progressive motion of the blood. On the whole, though the author of this enquiry has shewn just reasons for being dissatisfied with the common opinion respecting the power of the heart in conducting the circulation, yet it must be acknowledged, that of what he assigns as the causes of this motion, some are not sufficiently supported by the established principles of the animal œconomy, and others seem inadequate to the effect. On a subject of such importance, however, the exertion of so much ingenuity as Dr. Wilson here discovers, deserves to be applauded; and though the hypothesis he endeavours to confirm, considered in all its parts, should not meet with numerous abettors among physiologists, even those who dissent from the author's doctrine will subscribe to the justness of his arguments against the validity of the received opinion with respect to the circulation of the blood.

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1004. DOWNMAN'S INFANCY. *Book I.* Vide articles 616, 805.

This is the first book of a poem, which we suppose the author intends to complete, on a subject of the greatest importance, the management of children. His precepts are founded upon the principles of nature and reason. The first relates to the application of the infant to the mother's breast, and corresponds with that of Dr. Cadogan, in his celebrated Essay on the Nursery of Children. Our author expatiates on the utility of this practice, both to the infant and the mother. He then proceeds to give some directions relative to the choice of a nurse, and other incidental circumstances. This, we are persuaded, if we may judge by the specimen before us, will be a valuable didactic poem.

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1005. *The PRIEST DISSECTED.* Vide article 783.

We have great reason to think this piece was penned by the author of the *Heroic Epistle*.

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1006. GALLIAD'S ODES. Vide article 655.

We cannot compliment Mr. Galliard by classing him with Pindar or Horace, or any other elegant ode-writer. His muse is too much of a flatterer.

Critical Review.

A very *partial review!* the production of a writer (perhaps a pensioner) who looks no farther than the present face of things,

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things, without thinking of the great chain of consequences resulting from every state decision. Lords North and Sandwich are with him *perfect* men. *Lond. Mag.*

1007. BLACKLOCK'S GRAHAM. *Vide article 934.*

The subject of this poem is acknowledged to be entirely fictitious, and is well calculated to recommend the cordial union of South and North Britain, the moral which the author inculcates. With respect to poetical merit, this ballad is certainly not defective. The narrative part in particular, breathes much of an epic spirit; and the whole poem displays a vigour of fancy unusual to the situation of mind in which it appears to have been written. *Critical Review.*

1008. TUCKER'S BERMUDIAN. *Vide articles 510, 674.*

The description of Bermuda which Mr. Tucker, who is a Bermudian has given us, we have perused with much satisfaction. If this be a juvenile production, as is hinted in a sonnet prefixed to it, we may expect pieces still more finished from the same author. *Critical Review.*

1009. MELMOTH'S TEARS of GENIUS. *Vide articles 635, 695.*

Whatever were the poetical abilities of Dr. Goldsmith, we do not hesitate to assert that his panegyrist possesses still greater. The doctor has given us only two poems within the space of several years; and we know, from very good authority, that the composition of each employed him many months.—Do but mark how much inferior *his* talents must have been to those of Mr. Melmoth, who, as he himself assures us in his dedication, *began and finished* his poem, which is longer than either of Dr. Goldsmith's, within a few hours.—So exceedingly fertile is the invention of a great poet!

1010. A MONODY on the DEATH of DR. GOLDSMITH. *Vide article 927.*

Of the several elegiac compliments that have been paid to the memory of Dr. Goldsmith by his friends, this may be considered as the most conspicuous. If the author has indulged himself in a profusion of panegyric, he has likewise, in many places decorated his sentiments with agreeable imagery, and rendered the monody poetical. *Critical Review.*

1011. A PASTORAL BALLAD in Four Parts. *Vide articles 643, 810.*

An humorous burlesque, representing the passion of a shepherd

herd with one leg and one eye, for a shepherds in the same situation, and who was also born dumb. *Critical Review.*

This gentleman is a smart and sensible observator. He animadverts on the bill with freedom, and hath added some very judicious remarks, on the pernicious effects of standing armies and placemen in parliament. *Lond. Mag.*

1012. STEWART'S *two* ENGLISH GENTLEMEN. Vide *articles* 483, 817.

Had the author crowned his labour with another funeral, viz. that of his manuscript, he might have prevented its public condemnation, *Critical Review.*

1013. A LETTER *humbly submitted to the perusal of the* PEOPLE of ENGLAND. Vide *article* 786.

This letter contains such salutary admonitions respecting the choice of members of parliament at the next general election, as have been frequently repeated, and certainly never can be inculcated too much. *Critical Review.*

1014. QUINCY'S OBSERVATIONS *on the* BOSTON PORT-BILL. Vide *article* 919.

A verbose and violent declamation against the conduct of the British legislature, concluded with an address to the American's, in such an intemperate style of exasperated patriotism, as might almost render Mr. Quincy's friends apprehensive lest he exceed the bounds of law. We entertain no doubt, however, but he will attend to the maxim, *cedunt arma togæ.* *Critical Review.*

Ha! ha! ha! ha! bravo! encore! we recommend this ribble ridicule of Shenstone's celebrated pastoral to every lover of wit and humour. *Westmin. Mag.*

1015. An APPEAL to the PUBLIC, *stating and considering the* OBJECTIONS to the QUEBEC BILL. *Inscribed and dedicated to the* PATRIOTIC SOCIETY of the BILL of RIGHTS. 8vo. 1s. 50 pages with 4 of dedication. Payne, Mews-gate.

Evincing the propriety, justice, and expediency of this so much agitated bill. *Critical Review.*

1016. A LETTER to the EARL of CHATHAM, *on the* QUEBEC BILL. 8vo. 36 pages. 1s. Cadell, Strand.

A concise, but satisfactory vindication of the late act of parliament, relative to the government of Canada. *Critical Review.*

1017. The SUBSTANCE of the EVIDENCE delivered to a Committee VOL. III. M m

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mittee of the Honourable House of Commons on the linen trade.
Vide articles 615, 822.

The evidence here summed up relates to an object of great national importance, and calls for the most minute and dispassionate investigation. It was delivered in the course of an enquiry into the state of the linen manufacture in Scotland and Ireland, which is said to be on the decline, occasioned, as is alledged, by the great importation of foreign linens. Of the cause of this declension, however, Mr. Glover professes to entertain a very different idea, which he endeavours to support by a variety of observations. This ingenious gentleman imputes the present unprosperous state of the linen manufacture in North-Britain to the excess of paper circulation, and the shock which the public credit of that country received in June 1772. The many late emigrations from Scotland, which have also been regarded, as consequences of the great importation of foreign linen, he maintains to be totally unaffected by that trade, and that they proceed entirely either from the oppression of the landlords, or an inclination in the people themselves: and he endeavours to maintain, that the increasing of the duties on foreign linens imported, and the retaining of the new duty upon export to the colonies, will equally prove injurious to the Scotch manufacturer.

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1018. *The SPEECH of a SCOTS WEAVER.* Vide article 916.

Written as a reply to the subject of the preceding article, and containing many forcible remarks on the arguments advanced by Mr. Glover.—In the first place, it is here positively asserted, that the decay of the linen manufacture in Scotland preceded the institution of the Air Bank, by the space of three years, and therefore cannot be owing to the cause assigned by Mr. Glover. Secondly, it is affirmed, that the manufacturing counties of England and Ireland feel the decay of the linen trade in a still higher degree than Scotland; though the latter has scarce any correspondence with them that can possibly affect this branch of commerce. The author of the pamphlet proceeds afterwards to answer several objections mentioned by Mr. Glover, against the expediency of promoting the British and Irish linen manufactures, in which we must candidly acknowledge, that the reply appears to be well founded.

1019. *TOPLADY'S HISTORIC PROOF of the doctrinal Calvinism of the church of ENGLAND.* Vide article 936.

The principal design of this work is to prove, that the earliest fathers, and many eminent persons before and since the reformation,

reformation, but more especially our English martyrs and reformers, were zealous believers of the doctrines termed Calvinistic; and that the church of England is founded upon these principles: that, on the other hand, Arminianism coincides with popery, pelagianism, ranterism, &c. In treating of these topics the author has displayed great industry and reading, and, by the way, not a little zeal and acrimony. *Critical Review.*

1020. *A DEFENCE of the CONSIDERATIONS* on the propriety of requiring subscription to articles of faith *Vide article 791.*

A spirited refutation of Dr. R——'s pamphlet.

1021. *HAWES's account of DR. GOLDSMITH's illness.* Third Edition. *Vide articles 634, 680.*

To conclude so disagreeable a subject, we shall only observe, that whereas, in the first edition of this narrative, Mr. Hawes was silent with respect to the person by whose means Dr. Goldsmith was supplied with the fever powder, it is acknowledged, in a subsequent edition, that the medicine was carried from his own shop, by his servant. With respect to this author's remarks on the abuse of the fever powder, they are equally applicable to every other medicine of great efficacy.

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1022. *The LIFE of Dr. OLIVER GOLDSMITH.* *Vide article 909.*

The incidents in the life of Dr. Goldsmith, like that of the generality of men who have devoted themselves to literary pursuits, not being sufficient to afford materials for many pages, the biographer has prudently eked out his pamphlet with large extracts from the doctor's poetical works. *Critical Review.*

1023. *Two CHAPTERS of the lost Book of Chronicles, &c.* *Vide articles 761, 821.*

These several pieces are collected from the news-papers, and appear to have been written by a friend to the colonies.

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1024. *DUTENS's EXPLICATION de MEDAILLES PHENICIENNES.* *Vide article 619.*

1025. *DUTENS's EXPLICATION de MEDAILLES de PEUPLE.* *Vide article 620.*

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The medals of which the ingenious and learned Mr. Dutens here treats, constitute part of a collection made by him in different parts of Europe, and excepting two or three, have never yet been published. The last of these performances contains the figures and explanations of near thirty Greek and Phenician medals, some of which, particularly a few of the first class, are singularly beautiful; the other contains 22 Phenician medals, in the collection of Mr. Duane; the subjects and legends of which the author endeavours to explain in a concise and unaffected manner. His explications and conjectures will we apprehend, be acceptable to those who chuse to amuse themselves in this harmless and occasionally instructive branch of antient erudition.

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1026. *LETTERA dell' avvocato FRUSTABIRBE &c.* Vide article 519.

An insignificant quarrel between Baretti and Badini, the former of whom having abused the opera called *Le Vestale* of the latter, seems to have give occasion to this impertinent publication, which is prefaced by a poetical eulogium on Giardini.

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1027. *VOYAGE d'une FRANÇOISE à LONDRES.* Vide article 923.

Of equal importance to the public with the forgoing, and in all appearance equally respectable.

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1028. *LETTRE de PEKIN, &c.* Vide article 361.

The curious in oriental learning will here find abundance of amusement; for this work contains not only an essay on the genius and structure of the Chinese language, but a variety of its characters, exhibited on copper-plates.

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1029. *PHILOSOPHICAL TRANSACTIONS. Vol. LXIV. Part I.* Vide article 799.

The *Critical Review* passes no opinion on this article.

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1030. *THE PRESENT TRUTH: A display of the secession-testimony; in three periods, of the rise, state and maintenance of that testimony. 2 vols. 8vo. 823 pages, with 18 of prefaces, &c. and 10 of contents. 8s. Dilly, Poultry. Printed at Edinburgh. Fleming, Edinburgh.*

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A very indifferent history of the secession, an event that once made a great noise in Scotland and still maintains a considerable schism from the national church, compiled by the Rev. Adam Gib, and written in language of the last century and with a puritanical spirit of expression. *Edinburgh Mag.*

The first volume of this work contains the rise and state of the secession-testimony, with a two-fold appendix, viz. 1. Concerning the present renovations of our solemn covenants. 2. The Synod-sermon, which occasioned the process that issued in the secession. The second contains the maintenance of the secession-testimony, with a three-fold appendix, viz. 1. A vindication of the judicial testimony, concerning the revolution and union settlements. 2. A plea concerning the extent of redemption. 3. An examination of a pamphlet, entitled *an impartial survey of the religious clause of some burghs-oaths, of the constitution of the Antiburgher-judicatures, and of the censures they inflicted on their brethren of the burgher denomination.*

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1031. *A PRESERVATIVE against the PRINCIPLES of INFIDELITY; on the nature and design of the christian religion, and the evidences of its truth and divine original, stated in a plain familiar manner. By ALEXANDER DUNCAN, D. D. minister of Smelholm. 12mo. 2s. 6d. Printed at Edinburgh, Creech Edinburgh.*

Though we cannot conceive, with the author of this performance, that christianity is in danger from the attacks of infidelity, yet it is but justice to acknowledge, that the intention with which he has written deserves high commendation, and that his work may be of admirable use to ordinary men, by explaining to them, within a small compass, the nature of the christian religion and the evidence of its truth and excellency. The manner of its execution is conformable to its design, simple, perspicuous and direct. It aims not at ornaments and at a parade of erudition. To a judicious reader, however, it will appear that the author is by no means destitute of literature and science. It is also to be remarked, that this performance is rendered interesting by a manly and rational strain of devotion. In treating his subject, the author observes the following method. He considers some of the essential principles of natural religion; states some of the proofs of its truth and divine origin; shewing the necessary consequences deducible from these proofs; and concludes by addressing himself to persons in various classes and conditions of life, in behalf of religion.

Edinburgh Mag.

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1032. MEMOIRS of a CLERGYMAN; or the character and ideas of the Rev. Mr. Clegg. *A sentimental history, founded upon facts.* 12mo. 3s. bound. Becket, Strand.

The incidents in this work are mean and disgusting; the sentiments trite and frivolous and the language feeble and ungrammatical.
Edinburg Mag.

1033. FRAGMENTS *sur L'INDE, &c.* Vide article 211.

In these detached pieces, which are said to be written by Voltaire, we find incidental observations on the commerce and history of the Indies, with some topographical accounts of the coasts, and remarks on the military operations and fate of General Lally.
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1034. FREE and IMPARTIAL REMARKS upon the LETTERS. *Written by the late Right Honourable Philip Dormer Stanhope Earl of Chesterfield to his son Philip Stanhope, Esq. By a man of the world,* 4to. 40 pages with 2 of dedication to Mrs. Eugenia Stanhope. 1s. 6d. Bew, Pater-noster-Row.

This writer is an admirer of Lord Chesterfield's letters upon the whole, but thinks many of them exceptionable and recommends it to Mrs. Stanhope to expunge such in a future edition of the work. The exceptionable parts he has pointed out and given in this pamphlet are at full length.

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Many of these remarks are shrewd and pertinent, and attack these letters in all parts, where they are the least vulnerable, particularly with respect to the duplicity which his lordship recommends upon all occasions to his son; the mean opinion he entertains of female mental accomplishments and his lordship's advice in regard to gallantry; where he persuades his son to point his battery against the married parts of his sex.

Town and C. Mag.

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1035. A BRIEF ACCOUNT of a NEW INVENTION, which has obtained his Majesty's royal letters patent. *It consists of a peculiar method of constructing and setting BOILERS, of any dimensions, in fire-engines, salt-works, brewhouses, distilleries, sugar-houses and sugar-works; and also in allum, copperas,*
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roman-vitrol and salt-petre-works, in such a well contrived method, that more than the half part of coals and fuel is saved, and yet obtained a quicker and larger dispatch of business in every respect. Published by the patentee, Christopher Chrysel. 12mo. 28 pages, 3d. Printed at Bristol. Pine, Bristol, and Evans Paternoster-Row.

This article needs no further description.

1036. *The STATUE of TRUTH, in the garden of allegory. Addressed to Lord North containing such remarks as may not be unworthy his lordship's notice. Useful to the managers of his Majesty's revenues, &c. &c. &c. By T. S. late of the Customs. 8vo. 34 pages with 4 of address and affidavit. 1s. Printed for the author, and sold by him at No. 27 Vinegar-yard, Bermondsey.*

Thomas Stayley, a custom-house officer having been dismissed, on a supposition of his conniving at the officers on board the Lord Holland Indiaman, running ashore their goods, here states his case, lays before the public, the iniquity of the side-waiters, &c. in giving encouragement to smuggling in the India trade, and, by way of remedy, proposes that all the officers in those ships from the captain down to the cook may have their private trade legally landed, in time, at the company's expence; that those goods be lotted and sold some short time after the ship is cleared inwards, reserving to the proprietors the privilege of bidding upon their own goods; that a duty be laid upon those goods of 20 per cent to the crown and an impost of 20l. per cent to the company; which at such computations would amount to 80,000l. per year to each. In this case the author says, the officers would clear 10 per cent more than by smuggling and run no risque and it would turn out as well to the crown and to the company. Mr Stayley writes like an angry man, and is very severe on the commissioners of the customs.

1037. *AGLAURA, a tale. Taken from the French in Marмонтel's moral tales. By Mr. TRAPAUD, author of the Œconomy of Happiness. 4to. 23 pages with 2 of dedication to the Dutcheß of Northumberland. 1s. Brotherton, Cornhill.*

A tale very indifferently told in blank verse, by the author of the article, 1485 vol. I.

1038. *A TREATISE on EDUCATION. In which the general method pursued in the public institutions of Europe; and particularly that of England; that of Milton, Locke, Rousseau, and Helvetius are considered, and a more practicable and useful one proposed*

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posed. By DAVID WILLIAMS. 12mo. 261 pages, with 6 of introduction. 3s. sewed. Payne, Mews-gate.

This is little more than a system of school education; in which the author is rather peculiar in his notions. After giving us his general ideas on the subject of education, he proceeds to point out his mode of instruction at school. He would have children taught the names of things, by shewing them the thing itself or its picture. Thus, says he, drawing would become an essential part of infant improvement, as the child should be taught to draw at the time that he learns to write. He would have boys taught the Greek language before the Latin or even the English, at five or six years old, Greek being the most antient of the three. He would have Greek followed by Latin, Latin by French, and French by English, in the course of which last, they should be made masters of *Harris's Hermes*. Perfect in these, he would have them taught logic, history and morality, elocution, and all the polite accomplishments. He closes his treatise with a story of Philo and Amelia, and their method of bringing up their only son, communicated by a friend. We cannot say much for this treatise, though it contains some improving hints: it is in many places big with absurdity, and Mr. Williams, in studying to be refined in his expressions, is often obscure, and sometime unintelligible.

1039. *The HISTORY of ARSACES, prince of Belis.* By the editor of Chrysal. 2 vols. 12mo. 581 pages. 6s. bound. T. Becket, Strand.

The perusal of this work will not only afford very ample entertainment to its readers, but will improve, while it entertains. The piece abounds with a great many very excellent moral as well as philosophical remarks. The author frequently takes an opportunity of treating upon the laws of government, and though his system on that head is rather Utopian, it is at the same time excellent. The language is good, the sentiments noble, and the work throughout as interesting, as useful.

1040. *The CHILD of NATURE improved by chance.* A philosophical novel. By Mr. HELVETIUS. 2 vols. 12mo. 653 pages. 6s. bound. Becket, Strand.

This volume will, we apprehend, be considered as a very spirited performance. The author no doubt is well acquainted with the feelings of the human heart. Though many of his scenes are rather too highly coloured, and may possibly inflame the passions of his younger readers, we must do him the justice to say, the work will be useful if the passages are not misapplied.

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care being taken throughout to blend the *utile* with the *dulci*. The language is good, and the sentimental part excellent.

1041. *ESSAYS in prose and verse, partly collected, and partly original: for the improvement of younger minds. Small 12mo. 112 pages, 3 of preface, and 3 of contents. 1s. 6d. bound in sheep. J. Buckland, Pater-noster-row.*

These pieces are all of a religious cast, the compilation of some dissenter. The originals are very indifferent.

1042. *MEDITATIONS and PENITENTIAL PRAYERS, written by the celebrated Dutches de la Valiere, mistress of Lewis XIV of France, after a recovery from a dangerous illness, when she first formed the resolution of quitting the court and devoting herself to a religious life. Translated from the French, with some account of her life and character, extracted from Voltaire, Sevigné and other writers of that time. By Mrs. Charlotte Lennox. 12mo. 158 pages, with 34 of biography. 2s. 6d. sewed. J. Doddsley, Pall-mall.*

This volume consists of 24 penitential prayers rather than meditations, the result of a remorse occasioned by a criminal life. The dutches de la Valliere was the mistress of Lewis XIV. in the year 1666, she retired from court and took the veil in the house of mercy in 1675, where she passed 35 years in the greatest austerities, wearing hair-cloth and walking barefoot till she died, in 1710. She was originally maid of honour to the dutches of Orleans, sister to Charles II. of England, and was unfortunate enough to fall in love with the monarch with whom afterwards she lived as mistress.

1043. *A PARAPHRASE on the general epistle of St. James. Being a clear display of divine truth and religious error. Addressed to the candid and dispassionate. By CORNELIUS MURDIN, some time fellow of Sidney college, Cambridge. 8vo. 90 pages, with 7 of preface. 1s. Lewis, Pater-noster-row.*

Mr. Murdin calls this paraphrase a *clear display*; but after the most attentive reading, we pronounce it as obscure to us as before, for we must confess him so dark a writer, that we are at a loss to know whether he construes the disputed passages in favour of Calvinism or the orthodox doctrine of the church of England. We suppose the last, but it is a doubt. For example, "Faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone;" is thus paraphrased. "Faith, if it does apprehend and live upon all the works of Christ's nature, as its proper life before God, is dead, as being alone, and separate from such an union as

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“this:” If this is meant to spouse the doctrine of works, it is done in very obscure terms. The text throughout is printed on one page, the paraphrase on the opposite.

1044. *The LIFE of the late EARL of CHESTERFIELD: or, the man of the world. Including his Lordship's principal speeches in parliament; his most admired essays in the paper called The World; his poems and the substance of the system of education delivered in a series of letters to his son. 2 vols. 12mo. 543 pages with 4 of introduction, and an engraved frontispiece, 6s. bound. J Bew, Paternoster-Row.*

The biographical part of this work, is little more than what could be collected from Lord Chesterfield's own account of himself in his letters to his son, and this with the addition of some few speeches from the journals of the house of commons, &c. serves to give the putter together of these volumes an opportunity to pirate a great part of Lord Chesterfield's letters with impunity. The frontispiece is a head of the late Lord, a good copy of that prefixed to his letters in quarto.

1045. *A HISTORY of the WORK of REDEMPTION. Containing the out-lines of a body of divinity, in a method entirely new. By the late reverend Mr. Jonathan Edwards, president of the college of New Jersey. 8vo. 378 pages, with 3 of preface and 8 of contents, &c. 6s. bound. Printed at Edinburgh. W. Gray, Edinburgh, and Buckland, Paternoster-Row.*

Mr. Edwards before he died had planned a body of divinity in the form of a history, in which he designed first to shew how the most remarkable events in all ages from the fall to the present times, recorded in sacred and profane history, were adapted to promote the work of redemption; and then to trace by the light of scripture prophecy, how the same work should be carried on even to the end of the world. The out-lines of that work as contained in a series of sermons preached in 1734 are here laid before the public. Mr. Edwards's son put the manuscripts into the hands of Mr. John Erskine, a minister of the church of Scotland, in order to revise and fit them for publication. The only alteration that Mr. Erskine has made, is that of reducing them from the form of sermons to that of a continued treatise. The work is divided into three periods. In the first he labours to prove that the space of time from the fall of man to the incarnation of Christ, was taken up in doing those things that were forerunners and earriests of Christ's coming and working out redemption, and were preparatory to it in the second, that during the time of Christ's humiliation from

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from his incarnation to his resurrection, the purchase of redemption was made; and in the third, that the space of time from the end of Christ's humiliation to the end of the world, is, and will be all taken up in bringing about the great effect or success of Christ's purchase. There is no elegance of composition in this work, but there are many traces of plain good sense, sound reasoning and thorough knowledge of scripture: and as the plan is new and many of the sentiments uncommon, it may, as the editor intimates, afford entertainment and improvement to the ingenious, the inquisitive, and pious reader; and may assist in studying with greater pleasure and advantage the historical and prophetic books of scripture.

1046. *IMITATIONS of the CHARACTERS of THEOPHRASTUS.* 8vo, 107 pages, with 5 of notes, 14 of preface, 16 of the life of Theophrastus, and 2 of contents, 2s. 6d. sewed. S. Leacroft, Charing-Cross.

These are not properly imitations, but the characters of Theophrastus adapted to the present times, with this alteration that new introductions are substituted in the room of the dry Aristotelian definitions which are prefixed to all the original pieces, and new matter is occasionally added. They are penned in Hudibrastic verse, and the original humour is supported: in short, both for poetry and manner, they reflect honour upon the author, and will be improving and entertaining to the reader.

1047. *The PORTICAL WORKS of ROBERT LLOYD, A. M.* To which is prefixed an account of the life and writings of the author, by W. KENRICK, L. L. D. 2 vols. 8vo. writing paper. 437 pages, with 4 of preface, 35 of the life, &c. of the author, and 6 of contents, with an engraving of the head of Mr. Lloyd, in the title; 6s sewed. T. Evans, Strand.

A neat edition. Many of the pieces in this collection are selected from the *St. James's Magazine*, a periodical work formerly conducted by Mr. Lloyd.

1048. *The GENUINE ARGUMENTS of the COUNCIL, with the opinion of the court of King's-Bench, on cause shewn why an information should not be exhibited against John Stephen James, Joseph Clarke, Esqrs. Ralph Aldus, attorney at law, William Augustus Miles, James Sparks, and Thomas Leigh; for a riotous conspiracy founded in private premeditated malice, to deprive Charles Macklin, one of the comedians, belonging to the theatre-royal in Covent-Garden, of his livelihood; by forcibly compelling the acting manager of the said theatre, against*

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his will, to discharge the said Charles Macklin for ever therefrom, formerly and publicly, on the stage of the said theatre. By a citizen of the world, 8vo. 72 pages, with 6 of preface, &c. 1s. 6d. J. Williams, Fleet-street.

This tract not only contains the arguments of the council, &c. but the affidavits of the several defendants. The rule was made absolute against Messrs. James, Clarke, Aldu, Miles, and Leigh. Published by a friend of Mr. Macklin's.

1049. *The WATERMAN; or, the first of August.* A ballad opera. In two acts: as it is performed at the theatre-royal, Haymarket, 8vo. 40 pages, with 3 of preface, 1s. T. Becket, Strand.

The story of this piece is that of a gardener's daughter, having two lovers a waterman and a gardener, the first of whom she marries, on his winning the badge on the first of August. It is the production of Mr. Dibdin, low, wretched stuff, but put together, to make use of a few pleasing ballads composed by him, and which have a very good effect in the representation.

1050. *The MYSTIC-MIRACLE; or, living grace.* A poem. Inscribed to the Reverend Mr. Lindsey. 8vo. 28 pages, with 2 of preface, and 3 of address to Mr. Lindsey, 1s. J. French, Poultry.

The story of Jonah's preaching to Nineveh, poetically drawn in heroic verse. The preface, speaking highly in praise of this poem, we should not suppose written by the author. It contains some pretty imagery, as the characters of fear and pride, not badly described and tolerably well finished; but the poem is not all of a piece; many of the lines being bald and poor. Its design is to censure the oscitancy of the clergy, to arraign the conduct of Mr. Lindsey, and to recommend the church establishment.

1051. *A FAITHFUL WARNING to the FOLLOWERS of the Rev. Mr. John Wesley, showing the falsehood, calumny and art made use of in that gentleman's societies, to deceive the ignorant and unwary in the things of God. Most humbly dedicated to the church of Christ in Jewin-Street.* 12mo. 28 pages, with 2 of dedication. 3d. Keith, Gracechurch-Street.

It is well known that Mr. Wesley's doctrine is that of universal redemption, in opposition to that of the election of the calvinists. Mr. Wesley having been severe on the preachers

of the latter doctrine in some hymns lately published by Pine of Bristol, called *Hymns on God's everlasting love*, the writer of this tract, who, notwithstanding his peculiar notions, appears to be a sensible man, considers these hymns as blasphemous, and has written this pamphlet to confute them.

1052. *A VINDICATION of the DOCTRINE and LITURGY of the church of England. Occasioned by the apology of Theophilus Lindsey, M. A. or resigning the vicarage of Catterick, Yorkshire. By GEORGE BINGHAM, B. D. rector of Pimperne, and of Moor-Critchell, in the county of Dorset, and diocese of Bristol, and formerly fellow of All souls college, Oxford. 8vo. 76 pages, with 1 of dedication to the bishop of Bristol. 1s. 6d. Printed at Oxford. D. Prince, Oxford and J. and F. Rivington, St. Paul's Church-yard, London.*

A sensible vindication of the divinity of our Saviour and the doctrine of the Trinity.

1053. *A CROWN of LIFE, the gratuitous reward of a FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN. A sermon preached at the Old-Jewry, July 10, 1774, on occasion of the death of the Rev. Thomas Amory, D. D. who died June 24. in his 74th year. By R. FLEXMAN, D. D. To which are added the address at his interment, by N. WHITE, and a catalogue of his writings. 8vo. 39 pages of sermon, 8 of address, and 12 of catalogue. 1s. Buckland, Pater-noster-row.*

Written by Dr. Flexman a dissenting minister at Rotherhithe, from Rev. ii. 10. "Be thou faithful unto death; and I will give thee a crown of life."

1054. *The Fox; an elegiac poem, sacred to the memory of a late R**** H*****ble personage. 8vo. 24 pages, with one of dedication to the elective part of the people, and an engraved vignette in the title. 1s. Snagg, Pater-noster-row.*

There is no imagery in this poem; it is merely narrative, and is an ironical panegyric on the late Lord Holland. The poetry is passable.

1055. *THOUGHTS upon SLAVERY. By JOHN WESLEY, M. A. 8vo. 51 pages. 1s. R. Hawes, Lamb-street, Spital-fields.*

The slavery, the subject of this tract, is that of a servant to a master. Mr. Wesley first shews that the country from which the negroes are brought, is a fertile situation; that the inhabitants are far from being an uncivilized people; that they are obtained frequently by fraud and force, that when sold they are

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are marked on the breast with a burning iron, and treated with the utmost cruelty. He next proceeds to enquire, whether these things can be defended on the principles of even heathen honesty, and to shew that all slave-holding is inconsistent with even natural justice, and concludes with an address to the captains and merchants in the slave trade, urging them to quit their merciless profession, lest they draw upon themselves hereafter the vengeance of the Almighty. It is written in Mr. Wesley's usual stile of language, but deserves commendation, as it is apparently penned with a good design.

1056. *A SUPPLEMENT to Mr. Wesley's pamphlet, entitled, Thoughts upon Slavery.* 2s. H. Reynell, Piccadilly.

Mr. Wesley having asserted, that the negroes possess many many good qualities practised by the whites, has angered the author of this *supplement*, who arraigns his doctrine on the subject. He declares himself no advocate for slavery, but thinks Mr. Wesley has been misinformed respecting the happy situation of the negroes while in their own country, and their misery when in America. He maintains the reverse, and that the natives of Benin, Congo and Angola, are in a state of Barbarism. In short, he thinks Mr. Wesley has exaggerated matters, and therefore, however good might be his design, his pamphlet ought not to be relied on.—Not ill written.

1057. *SCRIPTURE-SUFFICIENCY; or the Bible christian's plea: wherein the principal objections of Mr. J. Weir to the scripture-testimony of Jehovah and his Christ, as set forth in a book, entitled, Divine Revelation, the only Test of sound Doctrine, are duly considered and refuted.* By R. ELLIOT, A.B. 8vo. 48 pages. 6d. Printed for the author, and sold by J. French, Poultry.

A reply to article 1275, vol. ii. by the author of article 1052, vol. ii. Mr. Elliot has stated Mr. Weir's observations, in the manner of objections, and has given a distinct answer to each.

1058. *The SATISFACTION of CHRIST DEMONSTRATED.* In a series of dialogues. By JOHN BEATSON. 12mo. 271 pages with 9 of preface and 2 of contents. Printed for the author at Leeds. J. Rivington, St. Paul's Church-yard.

Much the same may be said of this volume as was said of article 1200, vol. ii. which see. Mr. Beatson designed to have joined both these tracts together, but thinking they might be easier of purchase, divided, he published them at separate times. The same kind of dialogue and the same dialogists (Neophytus and Philanthropus) are continued, as in his *divine character of*

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Christ. So that this may be properly considered as a supplement to the other. The subject here is thoroughly discussed.

1059. *FOLLY, a satire.* 4to. 7 pages, with 1 of preface, or 102 lines. 6d. Printed for the author. T. Payne, Mews-gate.

We shall say nothing more of this trifle, than that it is written in heroic measure, and that the author seems able to please the town in a more extensive work, and as he has promised it, we shall wait impatiently to see it.

1060. *An ESSAY on GENIUS.* By ALEXANDER GERARD, D. D. professor of divinity in kings college Aberdeen 8vo. 434 pages with 2 of advertisement and 3 of contents. 6s. bound. T. Cadell, Strand.

Dr. Gerard some years ago published an *Essay upon taste*, which was very well received by the world. He at that time determined from the connections taste had with genius, to digest his thoughts upon the present subject. This he tells was begun so long ago as the year 1758 and not finished till now. It is divided into three parts, the first is on the nature of genius, the second on the general sources of its varieties, and the third on the two kinds of genius, viz. for science or the arts. He has treated the subject systematically and philosophically and in a manner that does honour to himself and service to the republic of letters.

1061. *An APPEAL to REASON: or THOUGHTS on RELIGION.* Wherein the interference of the civil power, and the matter of subscription are candidly considered. By a Layman of Hampshire. 8vo. 202 pages, with 22 of preface and 2 of dedication to the bishops and clergy. 2s. 6d. sewed. Printed at Devizes. T. Burrough, Devizes. Rivington, St. Paul's Church-yard, London.

The author of this volume having precluded all criticism, by telling us we are not to expect any learning or eloquence in these sheets but the honest sentiments only of a plain disinterested layman; we shall say no more upon this article, than that by enquiring into the nature of man and sketching the outlines of divine revelation, the author traces religion to its fountain head and shews it to be the only solid foundation both of our present and future happiness: that the tract is not ill written, that the writer seems perfectly dispassionate and would have things continue as they are.

1062. *An ESSAY upon the harmony of language, intended principally to illustrate that of the English language.* 8vo. 288 pages with

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1077. BURROW, on LITERARY PROPERTY. Vide article 459, vol. ii.

In this work Sir James Burrow recites, with great accuracy and minuteness, the opinions given by the five judges, Willes, Blackstone, Aston, Yates, and Mansfield, on the cause in which Andrew Millar, the plaintiff, charged Robert Taylor, the defendant, with publishing and selling copies of *Thomson's Seasons*, of which Millar was the sole proprietor. The two chief points discussed on this cause are, whether the copy-right of a book belongs to the author by the common law; and whether, supposing such a right, it be taken away or restrained by 8 Anne, c. 19? *Monthly Review.*

1078. BOSWELL'S DECISION of the COURT of SESSION upon the QUESTION of LITERARY PROPERTY. Vide article 246.

The arguments against perpetual copy-right are exhibited with peculiar advantage in this publication, not only as they are displayed with all the ability of the Lords of Session, but as they are presented to the reader in one continued train, without any disagreeable interruptions from opposite reasonings or objections, excepting a single instance, in which one of their Lordship's steps forth as champion for the rights of authors. *Monthly Review.*

1079. POEMS, chiefly RURAL. Vide article 464.

We are very sorry that it is not in our power to continue the strain or commendation with which we have lately spoken of the very ingenious author of these poems. As a critic, and as a man of taste, we think he has few rivals; and we sincerely wish that his claims were equally good as a poet, and a man of genius. His poems are replete with knowledge, and useful observations; but they have almost all of them the fault which, in his *analysis*, (article 646) he maintains it is the character of genius to avoid, viz. describing a passion which the poet does not feel. The whole, however, may be read with pleasure and advantage, though they contain nothing equal to what we expected from Mr. Richardson: whose genius will entitle him to rank with Parnel and Goldsmith, in the middle region of Parnassus; without ever qualifying him to sit down on the summit, with Dryden and Pope. *Monthly Review.*

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he is, so far as we know, the first person that ever wooed the muses, at least successfully, at St. Petersburg, where several of the poems have been written.

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1080. HANWAY'S VIRTUE *in HUMBLE LIFE*. Vide article 641.

Mr. Hanway is entitled to the acknowledgements of the public for the uncommon application with which he has endeavoured to render them service in a variety of respects. This work is founded on another, published by Mr. H. in 1770, in three pocket volumes, viz. *Advice from a Farmer to his Daughter*: that performance is here very considerably enlarged, and the whole cast into the form of a dialogue on the probable supposition that in this form it might be more useful than in most others. The dialogues contained in these two volumes turn upon a great variety of important subjects, on which we find many useful reflections and admonitions, enlivened by a number of characters, stories, fables, &c. adapted to interest the reader in the different topics offered to his consideration. The latter part of the second volume is called a manual of devotion, consisting of prayers, extracts from scripture, pieces of poetry, &c. Some of the poetry is borrowed from the volume published by Miss Aikin, now Mrs. Barbauld.

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1081. STRUTT'S ANTIQUITIES of ENGLAND: *Containing, in a complete series, the representations of all the English monarchs, from Edward the confessor to Henry the Eighth. Together with many of the great persons that were eminent, under their several reigns. The figures are principally introduced in ancient delineations of the most remarkable passages of history; and are correctly copied from the originals, which particularly express the dress and customs of the time to which each piece respectively relates. The whole carefully collected from ancient illuminated manuscripts. 4to. four numbers, 2l. 2s. sewed. Thane. Vide article 565. vol. i.*

While the historian and the antiquary will be gratified by this publication, the admirer of the fine arts will be struck with the observation *how narrow the province of taste must have been, in the time commemorated in this book*; of which we may fairly judge from the numerous and egregious specimens here exhibited: and which, we doubt not, are very faithfully and accurately copied. Many of these pictures appear to have been only head-pieces to books; and these books nothing but translations. And when we consider the subjects of such productions, it seems plain that wanting original genius, the translator, in those days, was considered as a man of such ingenuity and importance, that his labours were to be oblations offered

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only at the shrines of princes; and at once to compliment his royal patron, and celebrate himself, the momentous event of presenting his borrowed plumes, is (most barbarously) delineated. In the explanations which the editor has given us, of these hieroglyphical dedications, we find that the greatest attention was paid to the liveliest hues: which will always be the case, when the mind is not sufficiently enlightened to entertain ideas of *proportion, grace, and harmony*. Notwithstanding, however, the rudeness of these specimens of ancient erudition (for painting may be considered as a species of literature) the reader who has a taste for antiquities, may find ample amusement in this curious publication; and the editor deserves our most grateful acknowledgements for setting us off to such advantage: for the present age must certainly appear with redoubled lustre, when compared with the gloom which hath been spread by ignorance over some particular epochs in the last history of this country.

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1082. *horda Angel-cynnan: or, a complete view of the manners, customs, arms, habits, &c. of the inhabitants of England, from the arrival of the Saxons, till the reign of Henry the Eighth; with a short account of the Britons, during the government of the Romans.* By JOSEPH STRUTT. Vol. I. 4to. 1l. 11s. 6d. sewed. Thane.

Such men, whose genius is not formed of those patient materials, which are so necessary in the pursuit of mural and manuscript knowledge, must consider themselves as obliged to Mr. Strutt for the information he has given them in his first volume now under review. He begins, very methodically, with the ancient Britons; and to finish his picture of our venerable ancestors, has selected a variety of passages from the best authors, who have described the customs and manners of those early days: and he has connected them with ingenuity and judgment. If the reader will pay him that compliment to which the work has a claim, he may, by attention, so possess himself of the subject, as to furnish a fund of contemplative amusement for his hours of leisure. He next gives a short sketch of the ancient national Saxons, before he introduces the Anglo-Saxons; which, like the foregoing account of the Britons, is a compilation from the best authorities. He then proceeds to give a brief account of the Danes. In short his discourse on the manners and customs of our British, Saxon, Danish, and Norman ancestors, which consists of 104 pages, is followed by the author's description of the numerous engravings: for there are no fewer than 67 quarto plates. The figures exhibited on these plates are, for the most part, similar to those of which we have given

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some account in the preceding article. They may be curious as specimens of the ancient state of painting and sculpture in this country; but they do no honour to the *taste* of our ancestors.

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1083. *The HISTORY of JAMACIA.* Vide article 922.

The author, as if inspired by some local deity, enters boldly into the inmost recesses of the civil polity; describes the refinements of government in the different departments of the state; marks out those enormities in the public offices, from which commerce is oppressed, and the planter exposed to irreparable injuries; dwells with an honest delight upon those characters who have stood forth the champions of their country, from our first settling there, to the present time; discriminates the true interest of the island, and proposes many salutary measures for improving it; enters upon a description of that part of the vegetable creation, which nature has entrusted to the protection of those friendly climates; and points out their relative advantages, as well with regard to trade, as to endemial diseases. Climate, soil, and medicinal springs fall within his notice and description; their nature and properties; their uses and effects are explained and exemplified. He has indeed presented us with a more finished picture of that country than has hitherto been exhibited; and we hope his labour will be recompensed in the consummation of his wish; for by transporting Jamaica to England, he has brought the strangers together, in the generous hope that an intimacy may unite them in the same affections, and the mother country feel a natural kindness for an adopted child, who contributes so largely to her defence and support. This seems to be the only end our author aims at; and as we are assured that he is a native of the island, and of considerable landed property there, we are the more inclined to believe it. A liberal and independent spirit also breathes through the whole work, that vindicates and justifies our credulity.

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This general survey of the island of Jamaica is tolerably well executed, and the contents will be found to correspond with what the title promises. With a little more time and attention however, the author might have arranged the materials in rather better order, and to much greater advantage. His long residence in the island, qualified him the better for executing the plan, and he is certainly well acquainted both with Jamaica and its inhabitants. He hath begun the history of Jamaica with its conquest by Cromwell, and brought it down to the present times, and hath with great freedom pointed out many abuses

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in office, and defects in the system of government, which loudly call for remedy, and amendment. *Lond. Mag.*

1084. PRIESTLEY'S EXPERIMENTS *on different kinds of AIR.*
Vide articles 651, 848.

A work replete with new and interesting facts and observations, and generally delivered in the most compendious manner. It is divided into two parts, the first of which improved, and somewhat enlarged, was originally published as an article in the 62d volume of the *philosophical transactions*. The second part, which exceeds the former in bulk, and is now first published, contains the author's observations and discoveries made since the publication of the former part. An introduction is prefixed to the work, in which the author briefly recites some of the preceding discoveries made by others, relating to the chemical history of the air; a previous knowledge of which is necessary to enable the reader to comprehend what follows; and he afterwards gives a general view of the instruments or apparatus used in his experiments, and of his method of employing them, illustrated by two plates. *Monthly Review.*

1085. QUINCY'S OBSERVATIONS *on the BOSTON PORT BILL.*
Vide articles 919, 1014.

The incroachments of power are here very naturally represented; but ably as this ingenious Barrister pleads the American cause, it is, it seems, in vain to urge it any more. Why reason is no longer the rule in political management, appears fully from what he says on a subject that intimately affects the whole empire, viz. that of a **STANDING ARMY**! This was once an alarming object of senatorial complaint; but so it is, subjects complain till they are wearied, ministers sure of a tame majority, laugh at such ineffectual representations, out-number the talkers, and thus, which is the most mortifying circumstance of all, employ the forms of the constitution to poison it! *Monthly Review.*

1086. *An ARGUMENT in DEFENCE of the EXCLUSIVE RIGHT claimed by the COLONIES to TAX THEMSELVES.* Vide article 930.

Another solid and judicious advocate for the colonies has employed his pen to no farther purpose, than to render the contrast between equity and power more glaring. *Monthly Review.*

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1087. *The JUSTICE and POLICY of the QUEBEC BILL.* Vide article 931.

We have in this pamphlet a full and explicit discussion of the several objections raised against the act for regulating the government of the province of Quebec. *Monthly Review.*

1088. *A LETTER to LORD CHATHAM, on the QUEBEC BILL.* Vide article 1016.

This excellent letter has been ascribed to a young lord, whose character *out of the house* is as well known as his abilities *in it*: but it is now asserted that a worthy Baronet is the real father of this political bantling. Lord C. had thought proper severely to arraign the Quebec bill. For this he is now as severely called to account; not indeed in harsh terms, calculated to catch the ear by humouring popular prepossessions, but with masterly arguments, directed to the understanding of mankind.

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1089. *The SPEECH of a SCOTS WEAVER.* Vide articles 916. 1018.

The decline of the linen trade in Scotland is a known fact, and it might be thought from the chain of connexion between cause and effect, that the acting cause of an alteration in demand for any object of commerce, could not lie too deep for investigation. We have, however, very different reasons given for the bad state of the linen manufacture, by Mr. Glover, (article 615.) and by this anonymous weaver; and however tenacious both writers may be of their respective opinions, yet as they are able reasoners, there is the stronger inducement to believe some truths are urged on each side. Mr. Glover found this disaster to originate in banking and projects; which is denied by the weaver, who asserts that the decay of the linen trade began prior even to the institution of the Air bank: admitting, nevertheless, that the stoppage of that bank produced great distresses in Scotland; yet insisting from these bad affairs, 'all England cannot ascertain a loss of 10,000l. by Scotland.' So far from deciding positively between Mr. Glover and the weaver, it appears more than probable that to conceive the whole truth, we must attend, with due caution, to both their representations.

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1090. *A LETTER to the ELECTORS and PEOPLE of ENGLAND.* Vide articles 786, 1013.

This gentleman exhorts us with great earnestness to prevent the ruin of the nation, by stemming the torrent of corruption; and

and even flatters himself with the expectation of seeing his exhortations take effect.

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1091 *An ADDRESS to PROTESTANT DISSENTERS, &c.* Vide article 920.

There is more substance in this little tract, than in many of ten times its bulk.—As the price is so small—The reader who has a curiosity to know the contents of this *new crisis*, may be easily gratified; and therefore we shall only, in this general way, recommend it to the perusal of all friends to the liberties of this country.

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1092. *A GENERAL VIEW of the EAST INDIA COMPANY'S SITUATION.* Vide article 351.

The situation of the East India Company is here discussed by a series of questions, which are resolved by exhibiting averages of annual accounts for forty years backward.

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1093. *MARRYAT'S Prescriptions, Englished by DODD.* Vide article 377.

Through 'a christian disposition,' it seems, 'to provide for relief of the distressed,' this good man, Mr. J. S. Dodd, has readily vamped up or manufactured a book, by collecting and translating Dr. Marryat's prescriptions, which are arranged under the diseases to which they respectively belong. To each of these lists of prescriptions is prefixed, as he says, 'an accurate description of the symptoms of the several diseases; by which,' we are assured, 'they may be known from each other.' Each of these luminous descriptions he has had the art to draw up and condense generally within the compass of three or four lines, or at the utmost, in about *half a score*. To each of these classes of prescriptions he has likewise subjoined by way of tail-piece, about as many lines, under the title of *remarks*; in which the reader is to be instructed when, and how, to dispense them. After having taken all these pains 'for the good of mankind,' this disinterested philanthropist here presents them with the fruits of his great labours; and, with singular modesty, recommends his work to the public, as 'the best family physician and surgeon, yet extant, in any language!'

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1094. *LEAKE'S LECTURE INTRODUCTORY to the THEORY and PRACTICE of MIDWIFERY, &c.* Vide article 1334, vol. ii.

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In this sensible introduction to a course of lectures on the subject of midwifery, the author discusses, in a general and popular manner, several physiological questions relating to conception and parturition; and afterwards gives an historical sketch of the opinions and practices of the antients with respect to the art, and of the successive improvements that have been made in it from their times to the present: terminating his oration by some judicious reflections on the qualifications and deportment of an accoucheur. In his appendix the author gives an account of an improvement which he has made in the forceps; consisting in the addition of a third blade to that instrument, his description of which is illustrated by a plate annexed to this performance.

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1095. HOSSACK'S ABRIDGMENT of VAN SWIETEN'S COMMENTARIES. Vide article 739, vol. ii.

This abridgement, which is intended to be comprised in five volumes, appears to be executed with sufficient care and judgment, and may be of use to those who do not choose to purchase the commentaries at large. In the second volume the work is brought down to the 874th aphorism, or to the end of the section on the bastard peripneumony.

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1096. DE VEVIGNIS'S DESCRIPTION of the FOUR SITUATIONS of a GOUTY PERSON. Vide article 379.

Were Jedediah Buxton, of retentive memory, now alive, he would estimate, with a single glance of his eye, over the meagre form and unconscionable type and margin of this shilling pamphlet, that it might contain about as much matter as a single page of a London Chronicle; and his estimate would not be very distant from the truth. After perusing it throughout, and in the interval between two dishes of tea, we found that it contained 36 pages, 16 lines in a page, and about *five* words, on an average, in a line.—These are surely *Aura Verba*;—and yet all that we can collect from them is, that the gout should not be left to the care of nature, but that the physician should have the handling and management of it:—but in what manner this unruly distemper is to be managed by him, *this deponent sayeth not.*

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1097. *An EASY WAY to PROLONG LIFE. The SECOND PART.* Vide article 212, 406.

A ridiculous production, the author of which congratulates himself on the *rapid sale* of the first part of it, and assures

us that this second contains observations 'not less important.' The courteous reader, for example, is here instructed whether he ought to sleep *with his mouth shut or open*, and on what side he should lie; and is directed, after a few preliminary operations at his up-rising, 'to stretch himself out,' and then 'to proceed to cleanse his nose, by blowing it;'---not forgetting, lastly, 'that the head be combed, that the pores may be opened to expel such *vapours* as were not consumed by sleep, &c.'

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1098. WARNER, on the TESTICLES. Vide article 353.

After premising a short anatomical description of the *Scrotum*, the *testes*, and their coats, the author treats of the diseases to which these parts are subject; such as inflammation, abscess, dropsy, schirrus, &c. He principally dwells however on the *Hydrocele* of the *Tunica Vaginalis*, and on the palliative, and radical, methods of relieving, or curing, that disease. With respect to the first or palliative method, in describing the best manner of performing the very simple operation of evacuating the extravasated lymph, the author, from a predilection, we suppose, for that mode of operating to which he has been accustomed, directs the using the imposthume lancet, in preference to the trocar. He judges it to be 'the most easy and expeditious;' and apprehends, though surely without sufficient grounds to countenance the apprehension, that the tunica vaginalis must suffer from the canula of the trocar being left in the wound, during the short time that it remains there while the lymph is flowing through it. Of the four more important methods of proceeding, or operating, in order to produce a radical cure, the author seems to consider that which effects his purpose by means of a simple incision, as the best; observing that he does not remember ever to have seen any fatal effects arising from it. For the method of procuring a lasting cure by the application of the caustic, he wholly refers the reader to Mr. Else's pamphlet. He next describes the manner in which a permanent cure may be obtained, by a simple puncture of the *Tunica Vaginalis*, and the subsequent and repeated introduction of a sponge tent: terminating his observations on this subject by a short and superficial account of the radical method of operating, by the seton; at the end of which, the reader, who has hitherto met with nothing either new or striking, is in our opinion, very properly referred to Mr. Pott's ingenious work on the subject. The pamphlet concludes with some trite observations on the schirrus and cancer of the testis.

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1099. LIND, *on the HEALTH of SEAMEN.* *A new edition much enlarged and improved.* 8vo. 5s. sewed. Wilson, Strand.
Vide article 719.

The excellent essay and the dissertation mentioned in the above title have both been formerly published, and are here reprinted together, with the addition of some new matter; some alteration being made in the arrangement of the materials; and the whole, for the convenience of the reader, divided into chapters and sections. The first of them appeared in the year 1757, and was republished in 1762, by the authority of the lords of the admiralty. Its merit is too well known to require our adding any thing further concerning this third edition of it, than that, besides the alterations which the author has now thought necessary to make in it, he has added a new chapter, and the means of obtaining fresh and potable water at sea, by a simple and easy process. On this occasion, he asserts his claim to priority, in the discovery of sweetening sea-water by distillation, without the addition of any ingredients; and undertakes to shew that the alterations made by Mr. Irving, in a process delivered in by him to the lords of the admiralty, for that purpose, and for which he received, in 1772, a reward from parliament of 5000l. was no real improvement;---that the principles on which it is founded, though plausible, are fallacious; and that the produce, in following his method, is evidently less than may be obtained by the method of distillation formerly proposed by the author. The *Dissertation on Fevers and Infection* originally appeared under the title of '*Two papers on Fevers and Infection*,' which were read before the philosophical and medical society at Edinburgh in 1761. It is here reprinted with large and valuable additions; relating particularly to the jail distemper, and the means of preventing or stopping that terrible contagion. The new lights thrown on this interesting subject by so excellent an observer, who has had such extensive opportunities of remarking the various sources and the progress of this particular kind of infection, render these observations peculiarly valuable. *Monthly Review.*

1100. FALCK'S SEAMAN'S MEDICAL INSTRUCTOR. Vide article 282.

In the first of the six lectures into which the author has divided this work, he undertakes to instruct the seaman in the anatomy and physiology of the human body. He then treats of the medicines, or other means, requisite to the restoring health; and of the external injuries and diseases to which the body is liable. In the two last lectures the author proceeds to the treatment of fevers and other internal diseases. The zeal which the author professes

professes for the instruction and well-being of his marine pupils, flames out in many parts of this compilation; in the execution of which however we cannot honestly, or with any regard to our own character, give him credit for any thing more than a good intention. We shall only further add, with respect to this work, that from the nature of it, it necessarily contains many matters, the knowledge of which must undoubtedly be of use to a seaman, deprived of all other assistance;---and this is nearly the utmost praise we can bestow upon it.

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1101. *The LIFE of Dr. OLIVER GOLDSMITH.* Vide articles 909, 1022.

Dr. Goldsmith's *life* affords but scanty materials for the biographer, but his *writings* have amply made up the deficiency to his present historian; who, from his adroitness at making *extracts* must certainly have been, or is, a *reviewer*. *Monthly Review.*

1102. ROBERTS'S PERUVIAN LETTERS. Vide article 921.

To this new translation of the well known Peruvian letters, Miss Roberts has added a continuation of the story comprehended in the original. Miss R.'s translation is, in most respects, greatly superior to the old one; but we think the style is somewhat enfeebled by her almost perpetual substitution of *you*, for *thou*, in the Peruvian lady's pathetic addresses to her lover: how poor is '*you are the sun of my days---you enlighten them---you prolong them---and they are yours*'---compared with---*thou art the sun of my days---thou enlightenest them---thou prolongest them---and they are mine:*' *old translation.* The design of converting the Indian princess to the Christian religion, '*through conviction,*' was commendable in Miss Roberts; and we were curious to see the arguments adduced on this occasion; but we sought for them in vain: we are only told that the illustrious convert was referred to the New Testament; that she read; and became a devout Christian. For the rest, there is very considerable merit in the Peruvian letters; and we shall not, in any probability, ever have a better translation of them, than the present. We have observed some inaccuracies, but they are such as will, in course, be corrected in a second edition.

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1103. ROBINSON'S INDICES TRES, &c. Vide articles 344, 1278, vol. ii.

Three indexes, to Loginus on the Sublime, Eunapius on the Lives of the Philosophers, and Hierocles on the Aurea Carmina.

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Carmina. All these things are exceedingly useful, as every scholar knows by experience. *Monthly Review.*

1104. MISCELLANEOUS and FUGITIVE PIECES. Vol. III.
Vide article 631.

The present volume comes recommended to us under the names of Johnson, Thornton, Cradock, Goldsmith, &c. But we observe two or three pieces, in the group, of which we can only say, as Pope said of the hairs and straws in the amber, that they are neither "rich nor rare," and that

"We wonder how the devil they got there."

The volume, however, contains some very valuable tracts; the *Critique on Blackwell's Court of Augustus* is in every respect, worthy the author of the *Rambler*; as is the *Review of the Inquiry into the origin of our ideas of the sublime and beautiful*. The lives of *Bolingbroke* and *Parnel* are the productions of Goldsmith's pen.----The poem entitled *Faction Displayed*, which is here given to William Shippen, Esq; is a curious specimen of jacobitical satire and virulence; and Mr. Usher's *introduction to the Theory of the Human Mind* is undoubtedly worthy of preservation in a repository of this sort.

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This volume, though perhaps not equal to either of the former, contains several valuable productions. Mr. Thornton's Fragment with notes variorum is a piece of admirable humour.

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1105. FREE and IMPARTIAL REMARKS on the LETTERS written by the right honourable the EARL of CHESTERFIELD.
Vide article 1034.

Our man of the world would be a tolerable reviewer, if he did not, like some others *eke out* too freely with *extracts*; yet the latter, in this instance, undoubtedly constitute the best as well as by much the largest part of the publication.

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In these remarks, the author enquires into the morality of some of his lordship's precepts, the justness of his opinions, and the consistency of his principles. In general, he treats the noble writer with fair argument, and sometimes with pleasantry. Those who have perused the Earl of Chesterfield's letters with impartiality, will probably admit that they are liable to the objections contained in these remarks; while, at the same time, they will consider the greatest part of that epistolary correspondence as one of the most valuable publications of late years.

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1106. EXCURSION

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1106. *EXCURSIONS into NORMANDY and BRITANNY.*
Vide articles 503, 751.

This is a kind of journal, and there is something amusing in the very brief account of the objects presented to the traveller in his journey; but this pamphlet is rather to be considered as a directory for persons who propose to make the above-mentioned tour. They are here provided with a variety of useful hints by an attention to which their journey may perhaps be rendered more entertaining, and be performed to greater advantage. As to the rates of customs, post-horses, chaises, &c. no notice is taken of them. The reader, is farther directed to procure *Ducarrel's history of Normandy and a Trip to Paris*, lately published.
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1107. *A TOUR to SPA.* Vide articles 502, 750.

Much the same idea is to be formed of this excursion, as of that mentioned in the former article.
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1108. *The HISTORY of WALES. Written originally in British, by CARADOC of Lhancarvan, englished by Dr. POWELL, and augmented by W. WYNN.* Vide article 466.

Of this republication it will be sufficient to remark that it is well printed, and will be an acceptable book to Ancient Britons and Antiquaries, whatever true born Englishmen, in general, may think of it.
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1109. *An ESSAY for the CONSTRUCTION of ROADS.* Vide article 509.

This essay is offered with so much becoming modesty, that it were to be wished as much could be said in favour of the execution, as the evident intention of the writer merits. When physical and mechanical principles are explained for the instruction of others, they have an appropriated language in which clearness and brevity are united: nothing is superflously introduced, nothing is circumlocutory, and nothing is defective. It is with some degree of reluctance we find ourselves reduced to declare that this writer understands more than he can render sufficiently intelligible; that his essay is neither happily conceived nor clearly expressed; and that he evidently becomes obscure by labouring to avoid obscurity.
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1110. *An ACCOUNT of the RISE, PROGRESS, &c. of the SOCIETY for the RELIEF of DEBTORS.* Vide article 663.

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Dr. Dodd farther considers and recommends this charity in the introduction and postscript which he has placed before the sermon he preached in its favour, of which we have here the second edition. His arguments in its behalf are weighty and convincing: The institution of this laudable society appears to have arisen from Dr. Dodd's endeavours. The miscellaneous pieces at the end are chiefly an ode by Dr. Dodd and an epilogue written by R. Cumberland, Esq. and spoken at the conclusion of a comedy acted for the benefit of this charity.

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IIII. RINGSTED'S CATTLE-KEEPER'S ASSISTANT. Vide article 320.

Josiah Ringstead, Esq; has brought together a number of popular recipes, without justifying them by that kind of medical or anatomical reasoning that an intelligent reader would wish to be assisted with to understand the principles of their application.

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IIII2. A MONODY on the DEATH of Dr. GOLDSMITH. Vide articles 927, 1010.

The author gives this poem as a first production; and it is a very promising specimen. It abounds with poetry, and sentiment; and its beauties far out-number those defects for which the writer has modestly apologized.

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There is more poetry than truth in the panegyric heaped on the dead Bard by this writer, who, with the authors of some other similar publications, seem not to have known the living man.

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IIII3. ENGLISH'S NAVAL REVIEW. *The II^d. edition.* Vide article 774, 863.

Our notice of the first edition of this poem was accompanied with a glance at the subject, rather than at the author; for we really thought the panegyric, to say the least for it, was worthy the occasion which produced it. The second edition is considerably altered and improved.

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IIII4. RICHARDSON'S SPECIMEN of PERSIAN POETRY. Vide article 496, 596.

Beside the gratification of that curiosity we naturally find for the discovery of what is impenetrable to our own researches, this little publication has another useful and agreeable tendency; while it seems by a pleasant and easy invitation to introduce the reader to some acquaintance with a language,

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language, which, though little understood, is of great importance to the oriental commerce of this country, every thing that is professed to be done here, has the appearance of being done with accuracy; and the Persian poetry is prettily translated into English verse.

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1115. GALLIARD'S ODES. Vide articles 655, 1006.

These odes are chiefly moral, and written in a tolerable vein of poetry. But the sentiments want novelty, and the rhymes are sadly incorrect.

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1116. TEEDE'S COLIN and ORINDA. Vide article 604.

We have often observed that the success of one good author makes a multitude of bad ones. Since the publication of Armine and Elvira, what stuff under the title of *Legendary Tales!*

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1117. ROBERTS'S POEMS. Vide articles 346, 451.

This volume contains a poetical essay on the existence, attributes, and providence of God; a poetical epistle to Christopher Ansty, Esq; on the English poets; the poor man's prayer, addressed to the earl of Chatham; Arimant and Tamira, an eastern tale; all which have passed this ordeal. Two pretty little poems, one addressed to the very learned and ingenious Mr. Bryant, the other to a boy on his leaving Eton school, conclude the volume.

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1118. VICE; a SATIRE. Vide articles 247, 298.

A coarse general invective against vice.

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1119. The OPTIMIST. Vide article 644.

This is an honest whorebird of a muse, and, like a deaunched parrot, joins in the black dialect. The poem is an ironical recommendation of the fashionable vices, not destitute of ease or humour.

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1120. An ELEGY on the APPROACHING DISSOLUTION of PARLIAMENT. Vide articles 637, 861.

A most fruitful subject, but a mere mushroom of a poem!

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1121. The IDES of JUNE. Vide article 786, 862.

A monitory copy of verses to the ladies, to warn them against the

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the soft temptations of that month, 'when nature turns pimp.'
The style of the poetry is often low and very incorrect.

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1122. *The PRIEST DISSECTED.* Vide articles 783, 1005.

A most fierce, violent, and bloody battle between an enraged poet, and a reverend haberdasher of small scandal. The latter, mounted on *Flys*, *Mercuries*, and *Evening posts*, discharges his small artillery from the culverins of letters, advices, and paragraphs; and rather teazes than annoys his enemy: the former, armed with the tomahawk and the scalping knife, denounces nothing less than death and dissection. 'Tis dreadful—Oh! 'tis dreadful!

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1123. *CRITICA SACRA.* Vide article 661.

This pamphlet, though small in quantity, is rich in merit. It contains more useful matter than is to be found in many a bulky volume. It opens a vein of valuable and copious criticism to those who study the sacred literature of the old testament; on which account it cannot be too warmly recommended to their notice.

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1124. *OGILVIE on COMPOSITION.* Vide article 788.

Literary composition has employed the pens of the most eminent ancient and modern critics, but has never been treated more scientifically than in the elaborate production now before us. Not content with drawing his observations from examples, the author has ascended to the sources of intellectual sensation, and developed the influence of the several faculties of the mind both separately and when combined, on the art which is the subject of his enquiry. The irradiations of genius are here traced to their center with the acute discernment of philosophy, and in the various provinces of composition the theory and practice are perspicuously delineated. In short, throughout the work, the author discovers not only great judgment and ingenuity, but extensive learning and a variety of critical observations.

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Various authors have given us observations upon the writing, but Dr. Ogilvie is dissatisfied with their researches, thinks their views of the subject partial and incomplete, and proposes, as a more perfect method of treating it; in the first place, to delineate and characterise the several faculties of the mind that determine

qualify them to excel in their execution. In the second place, he divides composition into the six following kinds, simple, perspicuous, elegant, sublime, nervous and correct, on each of which separately he makes observations. They contain, however, very few remarks not to be found in some of the numerous writers, ancient or modern, on this subject, and he has been so candid as generally to refer to the sources of his information. It is, with reluctance we observe, that, in our judgment, he has not been successful in the first part of his plan. His division and account of the faculties of the mind are whimsical and unsatisfactory. What he calls the faculty of discernment in particular, and the use he makes of it, appears to us to be replete with absurdity. His language is in many respects faulty. The sentences are generally too long and involved, void of harmony and variety; the arrangement is inverted and embarrassed and loaded with a number of trivial circumstances that obscure, but illustrate not the sense. He is now pompous and vulgar, now quaint and uncouth.

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125. GOLDSMITH'S HISTORY of the EARTH. Vide article 900.

Many of the defects of *Pluche's nature displayed* are carefully obviated in the work now under our consideration, in which Dr. Goldsmith appears to have exerted great application, and to have consulted the whole accumulated tribe of the writers on natural history; particularly Buffon, Linnæus, Duhamel, Dale, &c.

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26. CURSORY REMARKS on TRAGEDY, &c. Vide article 771.

In drawing the comparative merit of the poets of different nations, it has often been remarked that men of acknowledged discernment have betrayed a partiality in favour of the writers of their own country. Shakespeare, in the judgment of English critics, enjoys, unrivalled, the highest honour of the drama; whilst the French admit Racine or Corneille to the first degree of excellence; and the Italians consider Metastasio as the most distinguished favourite of the tragic Muse. The author of the remarks before us, endeavours to establish a more impartial opinion on this subject, by acknowledging at once the defects of Shakespeare, and awarding to the foreign poets the praise to which they are entitled. On the whole, his remarks are so well founded, and the praise and censure he bestows, so justly applied, that it would be injurious to tax him with being influenced

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either by prejudice or a spirit of singularity. To soundness of judgment he unites good taste, and to a knowledge of the natural sentiments of the heart, joins an intimate acquaintance with the works of the most celebrated poets. *Critical Review.*

1127. CARSTARES'S STATE-PAPERS, &c. Vide article 670.

No memoirs whatsoever afford more authentic and satisfactory information of the intrigues of a court, the private motives and aims of parties, or the conduct of ministers, than is contained in the literary correspondence of those who have been deeply engaged in the political transactions of the times. On this account, the publication of such papers is of the most essential consequence to history; and it is sufficient to say of these, that Mr. Carstares, to whom these letters are addressed, was so much in favour with king William, that, though of the clerical profession, he was in a great measure the prime counselor in the affairs of Scotland, during the reign of that monarch. It may not however be unnecessary to observe, that the editor seems to have acquitted himself with care and fidelity.

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1128. ENFIELD, on LITERARY PROPERTY. Vide article 765.

All the objects, on which the right of property can be exercised, may be divided into corporeal and incorporeal. Dr. Enfield takes up the argument on this ground, and shews, that corporeal and incorporeal objects are equally capable of being personal property; and having established a natural right of authors to their own works, he proceeds to answer the most material objections, which have been urged against the perpetual security of their literary property, and herein shews much learning and sound argument.

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1129. An ESSAY upon the HARMONY of LANGUAGE. Vide article 1062.

The author of the present Essay treats of the efficient of harmony in human speech; of accent, quantity, and emphasis; of the efficient of English poetical harmony; of Scottish pronunciation; of the accentuation, meter, pause, and cesure in English heroic verse; of the origin and progress of English versification; of rhyme; of English elegiac and lyric measures; of prosaic harmony; of the harmony of the Greek and Latin languages; of the versus politici of the Byzantine Greeks; and of the connection of poetry with music; and has displayed a considerable share of learning and ingenuity, and a deep attention to the subject upon which he writes.

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1130. POTTER'S POEMS. Vide articles 482, 945.

This publication consists of the following pieces: A birth-day thought; Cynthia; Verses to the same, with a present of crow-quills; retirement, and Epistle to Dr. Hurd; a fragment; verses to the painter on Mrs. Longe's picture of Spixworth; an ode to Philoclea; verses to the same, exemplifying the absurdity of an affected alliteration in poetry; two pieces in imitation of Spencer; Holkham, inscribed to the earl of Leicester; Kymber to Sir A. Woodhouse; and a chorus from the Hecuba of Euripides. In these pieces the versification is generally smooth and harmonious, the language strong and expressive. The author seems to have studied Mr. Pope with great attention; and in several passages has happily imitated his manner. Holkham and Kymber are imitations of Pope's Windsor-forest.

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1131. *The MATRON. An Elegy.* 4to. 6d. Johnson. Ave-Maria Lane.

Pleasing imagery and tender sentiment are happily combined in this elegiac poem, the author of which excites our sympathy, not by trite and general topics of lamentation, but by describing in a pathetic manner the virtuous character of the person that is deplored. The flowery fields, and the agreeable objects of pastoral life are here rendered subservient to the sympathising emotions; and whilst the author affects the heart, he raises beautiful pictures in the imagination.

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1132. *POEMS on different Subjects. Containing a Versification of some parts of the Psalms of David. The 'Squire and his Setting Dogs. A Receipt to make Modern Novels. A Riddle, &c.* 4to. 1s. 6d. Kearsly, Fleet-street.

The practice of publishing religious poems along with those of a ludicrous nature, ought, in our opinion, to be exploded. Contrast, in such a miscellany, produces not the same advantageous effect as in other cases: for the mind revolts at a comparison of such incongruous objects; nor can the temper which is cherished by the one, immediately give place to the emotions of mirth which the other endeavours to excite. Abstracted from these considerations, these poems are not void of merit.

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1133. TRAPAUD'S AGLAURA. Vide article 1037.

Though nothing but the ornament of verse was wanting to render the tale of Aglaura an agreeable poem, which is taken from Marmontel's *Shepherds of the Alps*; yet Mr. Trapaud is very far from having improved the original by his attempt to

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adorn it with that embellishment. The versification is extremely unharmonious, and the production can boast of little else of the requisites of poetry than metrical composition.

1134. *A SECOND LETTER from OBEREA, Queen of Otaheite, to JOSEPH BANKS, Esq.* 4to. 1s. E. Johnson, St. Paul's Church-yard.

This *amorous* epistle breathes the same *Ovidian* spirit with the former from her Otaheitean majesty. The author has described the fervour of passions in lively strains, which are rendered peculiarly striking by the novelty of the incidents and manners introduced. *Critical Review.*

1135. *FOLLY, a Satire.* Vide article 1059.

When we behold so short a satire as the poem here presented to the public, we cannot avoid concluding that the author's observations on life are extremely circumscribed. If this be really the case, he has certainly acted right in prosecuting the subject no further; but, for the same reason, we think he ought not to have entered upon it. The poem is as much entitled to the appellation of vice as of folly: nor is either of those objects exposed with such force of sentiment as to evince that the satirist possesses a distinguished talent for this species of composition. *Critical Review.*

1136. *The Fox; an Elegiac Poem.* Vide article 1054.

An ironical lamentation on a nobleman lately deceased, too diffuse to be poignant, and too malevolent to render the character obnoxious to candid readers. *Critical Review.*

1137. *The CUB, a Satire.* Vide article 480, 952.

The principal motive to this rancorous effusion appears to be a resentment against a certain honourable gentleman for endeavouring to restrain the abuse of the press.—Were every written violation of good sense, truth, justice, and decorum, with every puerile and impertinent production, published under the title of satire, rendered cognizable by the laws, what a disagreeable and invidious task would be saved to the Critical Reviewers! *Critical Review.*

1138. *The MYSTIC-MIRACLE.* Vide article 1050.

This performance is a versification of the story of Jonah, and is designed to exemplify the pernicious effects of disobedience. Sir Richard Blackmore is celebrated for the rumbling of his verses. But the knight was in *this* respect a mere ballad maker, compared

compared with the author of the mystic miracle. When the poet composed his verses, we are persuaded he was under the inspiration of Bacchus, or some enthusiastic impressions.

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1139. MODEST EXCEPTIONS, *from the Court of Parnassus, &c.*
Vide article 901.

This writer, who calls herself Stella, is the author of a small poetical piece, published in the year 1771, intitled, The doctor dissected, or Willy Cadogan in the kitchen. What she means by her modest exceptions we hardly know: unless it is, that she disapproves of Mrs. Macaulay's unfavourable representation of the present age, with respect to the small encouragement of literary merit; or, objects to some of that lady's political sentiments. We are inclined to suppose that the latter is partly the case.

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1140. *The WATERMAN.* Vide article 1049.

The author of this opera informs us, that finding among the different pieces he has composed for the public entertainment, a number of ballads which had cost him much pains, and are little known, he thought he could not employ his leisure to better purpose than by forming them into a ballad farce, with suitable dialogues. As the songs, for the most part, are of a casual nature, they seem to have been little adapted to Renalagh, or the theatre, in their detached state; but they are introduced with *tolerable propriety* into this opera, the dialogue of which serves as a good ground-work for displaying them to the best advantage.

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1141. REFLECTIONS *on* LINDSEY'S APOLOGY. Vide article 1072.

This writer proposes his sentiments with that calmness of temper, and that apparent regard for truth, which intitles his performance to a favourable acceptance.

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1142. ANTANAPXIA. Vide article 489.

This writer gives us the following description of religious liberty. "Religious liberty is a conditional redemption from sin and the consequent curse of the moral law; an absolute discharge from the observance of the ceremonial law, whereby a free entrance is opened for the admission of the Gentile world; subject, however, to the civil power, for the better securing the peace and safety of the communities it governs. It is also subservient to the spiritual power of the evangelical governors of the
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church of Christ for the better edification of its members, and their surer instruction and guidance in the true knowledge of the scriptures. It again invites all men to search the scriptures, and thence collect those rules of faith and practice, by which, through the assistance of God's grace, co-operating with their own sincere endeavours, directed and promoted by their spiritual pastors, all men are at liberty to work out their own salvation." This acceptation of religious liberty is explained and vindicated in an able manner. *Critical Review.*

1143. *The MYSTERY of GOD and MAN: the Union of the Human with the Divine Nature.* 8vo. 2s. Lewis, Pater-noster Row.

This writer is one of those arrogant illuminated geniuses, who vilify and despise human literature, telling us, "that the meek and lowly self-denying peasant may have as just and clear conceptions of God, and as great, if not greater manifestations thereof, as he who is learned in grammar, logic, philosophy, and physics." A considerable part of this tract is taken up in proving, that the judgment, the resurrection, and the dissolution of the world, are not events to be expected hereafter; but operations now carrying on in the church, and in the souls of men. The whole is a mysterious jargon. *Critical Review.*

1144. BULKLEY'S CATECHETICAL EXERCISES. Vide articles 660, 986.

This is a very useful performance. The author conducts his young pupils through a course of lectures on the being and attributes of God, the works of the creation, the nature of man, a future state, the truth of christianity, and other important and interesting topics. His notions of revealed religion, and the divine nature are rational; his method of communicating his instructions easy and familiar. *Critical Review.*

1145. *The FORTUNE-TELLER.* 2 Vols. 12mo. 5s. sewed. Bew, Pater-noster Row.

We are pretty confident that we are not mistaken in predicting some reputation to the fortune-teller before us, who, besides possessing the very desirable talent of telling a story agreeably, has no inconsiderable knowledge of mankind. The pictures which he has drawn in the course of his work are, it is true, rather high coloured, but the parts are perfectly consistent. We know no better method of forming a judgment of this last particular, than appealing to our own feelings, which declare strongly in his favour. His work comprehends a detail of

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of the various events of his life, which are entertaining, although chiefly written in a satirical vein. The book concludes with a discovery greatly to the advantage of the fortune-teller, on which, as he is *an honest fellow*, we heartily congratulate him. *Critical Review.*

1146. *The VIZIRS.* Vide article 941.

Those who are fond of this kind of reading, may not think their time thrown away in the perusal of these volumes. We have very little relish for the affected imitations of eastern eloquence, which are now so frequent; and the Vizirs has not contributed much to the alteration of our taste. We are promised, in four *handsome* volume, the transmigration of Hermes, or the laws of nature, a philosophical romance, by the author of the Vizirs, but we hope, that the style of it will be less *fantastical* than that of the present work. *Critical Review.*

1147. WILLIAM'S SELECT CASES *in* PHYSIC. Vide article 1075.

We are here presented with a detail of thirty-four cases, many of them arthritic, in which the waters of Aix le Chapelle have been observed to prove beneficial or pernicious, according as they are properly or imprudently used; a diversity of effects which will ever succeed the administration of a powerful medicine. It appears in general, that these waters are not adviseable where there is a great acrimony of the juices, and an irritability of the fibres. Dr. Williams's discovery of the advantage of the waters of Aix la Chapelle to persons afflicted with the gout, must prove no less auspicious to the practice of physic, than his having ascertained the cases in which the use of them may be attended either with detriment or success. *Critical Review.*

1148. *An ESSAY in FAVOUR of QUACK MEDICINES.* Vide article 1315, vol. ii.

The arguments advanced by this writer in favour of quack medicines, apply indiscriminately to *every* nostrum; and therefore, as we cannot admit the efficacy, or even safety of *all* such medicines, we must of consequence reject the force of the reasoning which tends to establish them universally in an equal degree of estimation. *Critical Review.*

1149. *Of TEMPERANCE and INTemperance: their effects on the Body and Mind. and their influence in prolonging or abbreviating Human Life.* By Edward Harwood, D. D. 12mo. 175 pages, with 6 of preface. 3s. bound. Becket, Strand. The

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The learned and ingenious author has described the pernicious effects of intemperance of every kind, and the salutary consequences of the opposite virtues, in a very spirited and agreeable manner.—In the ninth section he has given us many remarkable instances of longevity, attained by a uniform course of temperance, and simplicity of diet. In the concluding chapter he has exhibited a collection of the sentiments of some of the greatest and wisest philosophers on this subject; by which it appears, that the judgments of the most intelligent persons, in all ages and nations of the world, have harmonized in recommending temperance, as indispensably necessary to the preservation and well being of human nature, and in condemning excess in eating and drinking, as productive of the worst effects, both on the body and mind, and inevitably abbreviating human life. In the present age, when every sensual indulgence is considered as an instance of politeness and spirit, this publication is extremely seasonable, and merits our warmest recommendation. *Critical Review.*

1150. *A Practical ESSAY on LORiot's CEMENT.* Vide article 785.

This discovery, which does great honour to Mr. Loriot's ingenuity, is not only curious, but may be rendered of great advantage to the public. *Critical Review.*

1151. ROBINSON'S GENTLEMAN and BUILDERS DIRECTOR. Vide article 1068.

The intention of this pamphlet is to communicate a knowledge of the late act of parliament for the regulation of buildings, which, as being extremely prolix, and often perplexed, is very unfit to be consulted by workmen; who without such knowledge, however, may readily fall into trespasses that lead to punishment and forfeitures. This production seems well calculated for answering the purpose, and cannot fail of being useful. *Critical Review.*

1152. *The COMPLETE FLORIST.* Vide articles 484, 977.

Some circumstances afford reason to conjecture that this Florist derives his knowledge from books which are now regarded as rather antiquated. In general, however, his directions may be accompanied with success though he might have withheld his astrological rules, without any prejudice to his readers.

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1153. *A DESCRIPTION of that admirable Structure, the CATHEDRAL CHURCH of SALISBURY. With the chapels, monuments, grave-stones, and their inscriptions. To which is prefixed an account of Old Sarum. Illustrated with copper-plates. 4to. 144 pages, with 50 relating to Old Sarum, 4 of preface with 15 elegant copper-plates, designed by F. Price, and engraved by P. Fourdiner. 7s. 6d. Baldwin, Pater-noster-Row.*

The account of Old Sarum, with which this work begins, is collected from various historians and antiquarians, and as the editor tell us, from cabinets public and private. It gives us a tolerable idea of the old city and this idea is helped by different views of it. The account is followed by copies of some antient charters and deeds relating to the city and cathedral of Salisbury. Next is given an architectural description of the cathedral, collected from Sir Christopher Wren's survey and the late Mr. Price's observations. To this is added a survey of the chapels, monuments and grave-stones with their inscriptions; an account of the bishops of Old and New Sarum; observations pointing out particular parts of the cathedral, subject to become weak or defective, with the causes of it; a list of the dignities and prebends, with the order of the days of preaching annexed, and an account of the reserved annual revenues of the estates appropriated to each respectively. Far from being unentertaining.

1154. *A VIEW of the PRINCIPAL TOWNS, SEATS, ANTIQUITIES and other remarkable particulars in DORSET. Compiled from Mr. Hutchin's history of that county. 4to. 30 pages with a sheet copper-plate exhibiting a plan of the town and castle of Dorset, surveyed and drawn by Ralph Treswell in 1586. 2s. 6d. Payne, Mews-gate.*

An abridgment only of Hutchin's history.

1155. *The PETITIONS of Mr. BOLLAN, agent for the council of the province of Massachusetts bay, lately presented to the two houses of parliament; with a brief introduction relating to the law of nature, the authority of human rulers and the subject's common right of defence, with subsequent observations, respecting the nature of the principalities established in Europe by the northern conquerors, and of the English constitution; to*
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which is subjoined the councils defence of the charge of certain misdemeanors. 4to. 49 pages. 1s. 6d. J. Almon, Piccadilly.

Little more than the petitions of Mr. Bollan to have prevented, if possible, the passing of the Boston port-bill. The misdemeanors here noticed are those of the years 1768 and 1773.

1156. *DUELLING and SUICIDE repugnant to revelation, reason, and common sense. 8vo. 39 pages, with 5 of preface. 1s. T. Meighan, Duke-street Lincoln's-inn-fields.*

If the writer of these pages is not a foreigner, he is ignorant and illiterate to the last degree. The language is not readable. The pamphlet consists of a few letters, part of which were inserted in the *Craftsman*, and the editor of that paper refusing to insert the remainder induced the writer as he tells us to publish them in this manner.

1157. *REMARKS on the ENGLISH LANGUAGE: with rules for speech and action. To which is added an account of the proceedings of the Birmingham, Walsal, and Wolverhampton free debating societies, instituted by J. JONES, president; together with his address, as delivered at the opening of each of the said societies. Small 4to. 58 pages, with two of dedication to the different societies. 1s. Printed at Birmingham for J. Jones, the author, and sold by Swinney, Birmingham.*

The rules and orders of this societies, established in imitation of the Robinhood Society in London, with the questions debated, and the result of such debates, at the first two or three meetings; prefaced with a few rules for speaking, as to voice, acting, &c. collected from some book on oratory.

1158. *The HISTORY and EFFECTS of the Alædarian Drops an ancient medicine; for the decays of early age, and ruined constitutions; for disorders of the stomach; and for chronic diseases which thence derive their origin. From the papers of a physician. 8vo. 20 pages. 6d. Hawes, and Co. Pater-noster-row.*

To puff a nostrum.

1159. *The ARTICLES of the game of CRICKET, as settled by the several cricket clubs, particularly that of the Star and Garter, in Pall-mall, with a neat copper plate of the representation of the game. Small 12mo. 14 pages, with a folding plate wretchedly engraved. 6d. J. William Fleet-street.*

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Merely the laws of the game.

1160. FURTHER OBSERVATIONS upon LIGHTNING; together with some experiments. By BENJAMIN WILSON, F. R. S. &c. Communicated to the Royal Society and rejected in the committee. 4to. 26 pages with 5 of preface 1s. 6d. L. Davis, Holborn.

Mr. Wilson having been appointed by the Royal Society in conjunction with Dr. Watson, — Cavendish, Esq. Edward Delaval, Esq. and Dr. Franklin, to enquire what kind of conductors, whether pointed at the end or not, were the safest; determined with Mr. Delaval against the pointed ones. For pointed conductors, Dr. Franklin was alone, Mr. Cavendish, and Dr. Watson were indifferent, and voted with Dr. Franklin. Hence conductors rounded at the ends have been affixed to the powder magazines at Purfleet. Messrs. Delaval and Wilson having given the public their reasons for determining in favour of rounded conductors, (Vide article 451 vol. ii.) here call upon Dr. Franklin to do the same in favour of pointed ones. This tract contains some fresh experiments in support of Mr. Wilson's former opinion. He wished it to be printed among the *Philosophical Transactions*, but it being thrown out in the committee by a majority of one, he has here given it to the public by itself.

1161. *The FATAL EFFECTS of INCONSTANCY, or letters of the Marchioness of Syrcce, the Count De Mirbille, and others.* 2 vol. 12mo. 503 pages. 6s. bound. J. Bew, Pater-noster-row.

We see nothing worthy of notice in these letters except their being written in a stile of freedom, which, if attended to by young readers, cannot fail to inflame their passions. So far we think the tendency of this publication may hurt at the time it serves to amuse. The language however is pretty, being kept up by characters in polite life. The letters consist of a variety of incidents which render them interesting; but it would have been no loss to the public had they never appeared. The tale is taken from the fickle character of the hero of the piece, the Count De Mirbille.

1162. *A VOYAGE towards the NORTH POLE, undertaken by his Majesty's command, 1773.* By Constantine John Phipps, 4to. 235 pages, with 15 of introduction, 4 of dedication to the king and 14 folding copper-plates, elegantly engraved. 12s. 6d. bound. J. Nourse, Strand.

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This volume, as might be expected from the nature of the voyage, is a dry unentertaining work, useful only to the mariner. The voyage itself is a mere journal and that a very concise one; consisting only of 58 pages, but reduced from the nautical to the civil computation. The remainder of the volume is made up with tables of each day's working of the ships, observations on different methods of measuring a ship's way; on the use of the megameter; on the variation of the compass; and on the marine dipping needle, constructed by Nairne. Also a meteorological journal, and an account of many experiments on some new nautical instruments, making salt water fresh according to Dr. Irving &c. very useful to navigators. Mr. Phipps has likewise given us a natural history of the animals he found at Spitsbergen, and some peculiar to the north seas, drawn up in the manner of Linnæus, in doing which he was assisted by Mr. Banks. The whole concludes with an account of the astronomical observations and time keepers by Mr. Israel Lyons, and the way of finding the longitude by the moon.

1163. *The SCRIPTURE DOCTRINE of the TRINITY JUSTIFIED: in a DISCOURSE preached in the cathedral church of St. Paul, London, June 2, 1774, at the lecture founded by the late worthy Lady Moyer; with occasional remarks, on the preacher's first sermon at Essex house, Essex-street, April 17, 1774, 8vo. 40 pages. 1s. Rivington, St. Paul's Church-yard.*

As this discourse attacks Mr. Lindsey and his sermon pretty smartly, the author's name and that of his publisher are both concealed. It is the production however of Dr. Morell F. R. S. and is penned from the following text. Matt. xviii. "It must needs be that offences come, but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh." It is a learned discourse but, in our opinion, not serious enough for the pulpit. The remarks are by way of notes.

1164. *TABLES for COMPUTING the APPARENT PLACES of the FIXT STARS, and reducing the observations of the PLANETS. By the Rev. NEVIL MASKELYNE, B. D. F. R. S. and astronomer royal. Published by the president and council of the royal society, at the public expence. Folio Writing paper, 290 pages, with 2 of dedication, 15s. 6d. sheets. Messrs. Rivington, St. Paul's, Church-yard.*

This work is dedicated to his Majesty; and contains nothing but the following tables, the accurateness of which entirely depends, on the observations of Mr. Maskelyne's clerks.

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who is but very indifferently paid for his labour. The first table contains observed transits of the fixed stars and planets over the meridian in 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768 and 1769. The second, observed distances of the fixed stars and planets from the zenith, in 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768 and 1769. The third, observations taken with the zenith sector in 1768. The fourth, observations of the difference of right ascension and declination between the comet of 1769 and several fixed stars, observed by a common micrometer fixed to 10 feet achromatic telescope, made by Dolland. The same by an equatorial sector. Besides 56 other astronomical tables of great use. The tables are neatly printed on fine paper, and if the observations be just, are of universal use.

1165. *Le COURIER FRANCOIS. An account of the regulations concerning the prices and manner of travelling post in France, with a complete list of the posts throughout that kingdom, made and published by order of Mr. RIGOLEY, Intendant-general for the year 1774. 12mo. 126 pages with 15 of index 1s. 6d. Faden and Jeffery's, geographers, St. Martin's-Lane, end of the Strand.*

Useful to persons travelling in France. The regulations are translated into English, but the lists continue in French.

1166. *Of TEMPERANCE and INTEMPERANCES, their effect^s on the body and mind, and their influence in prolonging or abbreviating human life. By EDWARD HARWOOD. 12mo. 175 pages, with 6 of preface. 3s. bound. T. Becket, Strand.*

This treatise was published some years ago, but in a narrower compass, the success it hath met with has now induced the author to enlarge it; and indeed it deserved success, as the reflections here found, cannot fail of being of singular service to all who read them, with a view to their health and happiness. Dr. Harwood has judiciously animadverted on the exercises of eating and drinking, and has closed the volume with a list of respectable men, who lived to a long advanced age, by temperance and regularity, and with a collection of the sentiments of some of the wisest writers on this subject.

1167. *SERMONS on primitive christianity, church fellowship, &c. By CHARLES CASE, M. A. 12mo. 312 pages, with 6 of contents. 3s. 6d. bound. J. Johnson, St. Paul's Church-yard.*

For the importance of the subjects, and the manner in which they are treated, this volume of 13 sermons, is certainly worthy of public attention. Believing the gospel of Christ—Unbelief
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—The evil of sin—Repentance—Faith—Baptism—Continuing in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship—The Lord's supper—Prayers and thanksgiving—Sound doctrine—Cautions against philosophy and vain deceit—Christ, a friend indeed—and observations on an assurance of personal interest in Christ—are here judiciously discussed.

London Mag.

The language of these sermons are rather stiff and uncouth.

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1168. *The FREEHOLDER'S POLITICAL CATECHISM, or the duty of voters for members of parliament: delivered in a plain, clear and concise method. By HENRY St. John, LORD Viscount BOLINGBROKE. 8vo. 19 pages. 6d. 25 copies for 3s. 50 for 16s. and 100 for 1l. 10s. T. Davies, Russell-street Covent-garden.*

This tract is well known, and not unseasonably re-printed.

1169. *An account of the proceedings at the India house, with respect to the regulations supposed to be made by laws, by a committee of proprietors, elected by ballot, for the purpose, and agreed to by a general court, particularly relative to the shipping of the company, by which they would have saved above 100,000l. per annum, that were afterwards, very illegally rejected. Also, the profits that would accrue to the ship-owners, by having their ships contracted for, at the full builders measure, and at moderate prices for freight; instead of the late ruinous method of charter-party tonnage, at exorbitant prices. Impartially stated by one of the committee. 8vo. 44 pages, with 2 of advertisement. 1s. T. Payne, Mews-gate.*

Authentic.

1170. *The HISTORY of the TOWN and PORT of FAVERSHAM in the COUNTY of KENT. By EDWARD JACOB, Esq; F. S. A. Illustrated with copper plates. 8vo. 116 pages, with 106 of appendix, 6 of preface, 4 of contents, 1 of dedication to Lord Sondes, and 16 copper-plates. 6s. bound. Printed for the author. B. White, Fleet-street.*

This work is formed from Mr. Lewis's *history of the Abby and church of Feversham*, Mr. Southouse's *monasticon*, with his manuscript notes, his son Filmer's collections, and some materials furnished by the chamber of the town of Feversham. Mr. Jacob, who has many years made antiquities his study, has taken great pains to collect all the materials he could, and the antiquity of this town has afforded him sufficient matter to make his work curious as well as entertaining. Mr. Jacob, has been an inhabitant of Feversham near forty years, and of course was well qualified for the

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the task; and though the utility of this history is rather local, it is not unentertaining to the general reader. The appendix contains a list of the mayors from 1292; the charitable benefactions to the town and parish; a list of the persons known to have been buried in the church from 1414; an inventory of the ornaments of the church in the fourth year of Henry VIII. the articles of the parish clerk's office settled the twenty-second of Henry VIII. the value of all the manors, parsonages, rents, &c. belonging to Feversham monastery; an account of the murder of Mr. Ardern from the wardmote book, 1550. part of Sir Dudley Digg's will, relative to the running at old Wives Lees: the account of King James II. coming to Feversham, by Capt. Richard Marsh, and a list of the moral sentences on the beams and walls of the court hall. The plates are well engraved.

1171. FIVE LETTERS to them that seek peace with GOD. By THOMAS BENTLEY of Sudbury in Suffolk. 8vo. 70 pages, very coarse paper. 1s. M. Lewis, Pater-noster Row.

An old woman preaching on different subjects.

1172. A SUPPLEMENT, consisting of corrections and large additions, to a biographical history of England, referred to their proper places in that work. To which, besides an index to the additional characters, are subjoined exact emendations and improvements of the index to the former volumes, and a list of curious portraits of eminent persons not yet engraved, communicated by the honourable Horace Walpole, to the author JAMES GRANGER, vicar of Shiplake in Oxfordshire. Small 4to. 547 pages, with 1 of advertisement. 18s. boards. T. Davies, Russel-street Covent-garden.

Mr. Granger's biographical history being well received; and the author having been favoured with many corrections and additions by the late bishop of Rochester, Mr. Walpole, Mr. Cambridge, Dr. Ducarrel, Mr. Cole, Mr. Ashby, Mr. Farmer, and Dr. Loveday, he has thrown them together in a volume, by way of supplement to the former ones. They are ranged in exact sequence, according to the order of the pages; there is of course no confusion in reading the additions or amendments. This is doubtless a very acceptable publication, to those possessed of the former work.

1173. LUSUS POETICI. 4to. 27 pages, 1s. 6d. T. Lewis, Russel-street, Covent-garden.

Twelve elegant Latin poems on different subjects.

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1174. *The FEMALE ADVOCATE, a poem occasioned by reading Mr. Duncombe's Feminead. By Miss SCOTT (of Milborne port.)* 4to. 41 pages, or 522 lines, with 4 of preface to a lady. 2s. J. Johnson, St. Paul's Church-yard.

An heroic poem in praise of a number of female writers, unnoticed by Mr. Duncombe. Miss Scot is an able advocate and a pleasing poet. *Univ. Cata.*

These portraits are drawn to the life with a spirit and energy, which few female writers have equalled; the skill and precision with which the features are distinguished, being equal to the glow and beauty of the colouring; and the short but very judicious notes subjoined, complete, and illustrate each piece.

Gent. Mag.

1175. *The MERCHANT'S GUIDE; consisting of tables for the computation of the duties, and directions for transacting the business of the custom house. By THOMAS LOWNDES and JOHN SMALLWOOD.* 8vo. 124 pages, with 2 of index, and an engraved vignette in the title page. 4s boards. Printed at Liverpool by William Nevett, and sold by Lowndes Fleet-street, London.

Useful, if accurate, and we should suppose it is, it being the joint work of two persons.

1176. *The AMBULATOR; or stranger's companion in a tour round London; within the circuit of twenty-five miles: describing whatever is remarkable, either for grandeur, elegance, use or curiosity; and comprehending catalogues of the pictures by eminent artists. To which is prefixed, a concise description of London, Southwark and Westminster, shewing their antiquity, remarkable buildings, extent, &c. &c. &c. not only of use to strangers, but the inhabitants of this capital. Collected by a gentleman for his own private amusement.* 12mo. 223 pages, with 24 of description of London, &c. and 2 of preface. 3s. bound. J. Bew Pater-noster Row.

This work is compiled in alphabetical order, and is little more than extracts from other books, for it is wonderfully erroneous.

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1177. LAUGHTON'S HISTORY of ANCIENT EGYPT. Vide article 649.

This history of Egypt, is a mere compilation ; nor is it executed with such a degree of sagacity, or judgment, as entitles it to much applause. The chronology, from whomsoever it is taken, is given without hesitation, as if it were a point that had never been disputed ; and the author carries on his story with as much ease and assurance, as if he were writing the events of yesterday. Unless, therefore, Dr. Laughton had performed more than he has actually done, we cannot perceive what necessity there was for the present publication. A far better account of Egypt is to be met with in the ancient Universal History ; and if only a school-book was intended, we should prefer the shorter relations of Bossuet and Rollin, as containing sufficient general information for youth, and as being written in a very superior manner. However, the author has given a passable detail of what occurs in Herodotus, Diodorus Siculus, and some other writers, with regard to the Egyptians. His composition is not deserving of particular commendation. His style is not free from inaccuracies, nor is it void of affectation. He aims at something of a philosophical refinement, in his narration and reflections, but he possesses not the ingenuity, penetration, and acuteness, which constitute the real merit of that mode of historical writing. That part of the work, from which we have received the most pleasure, is the recapitulatory dissertation. It contains a number of sensible and judicious remarks ; but, at the same time, they are such as have been made by preceding writers.

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This is a useful compendium of the antient Egyptian History, and well executed ;—but still there are wide chasms in the regal succession—many of the recorded events are improbable and fabulous—and the Chronology very uncertain. *London Magaz.*

1178. A PRACTICAL ESSAY on LORiot's CEMENT. Vide articles 785, 1150.

This pamphlet seems to convey intelligence of great importance with respect to all kinds of building and architecture, supposing the art treated of to be really lost ; and which ought to be as extensively known as possible, in order that if fallacious, it may be quickly detected ; or if well founded, that it may

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receive the improvements which experience may add to it, and be adopted for the general service of mankind. *Monthly Review.*

1179. BEATTIE'S MINSTREL. *The second book.* Vide article 636.

We acknowledge the same style of harmony, and the same genuine spirit of enthusiasm in this book, which distinguished the first. And though, by reason of its more moral and philosophical tenor, the descriptive part is not so copious or luxuriant, yet where topical scenes are introduced, they are embellished with the same degree of imagery, and heightened with the same colourings of animated fancy. *Monthly Review.*

1180. ROBINSON'S SUPPLEMENT to BURN'S JUSTICE. Vide article 908.

There are many deficiencies in this publication. *Monthly Review.*

1181. *The WORKS of BENJAMIN HOADLY, D. D. successively BISHOP of Bangor, Hereford, Salisbury, and Winchester. Published by his son JOHN HOADLEY, LL. D. Chancellor of the diocese of Winchester. Folio. 3 vols. with an index to the whole, and an introductory account of the author. 4l. 10s. bound.* Horsfield, Ludgate-street.

Although several of the pieces contained in these volumes are somewhat temporary, the greatest part of them are general, as the truths which they inculcate are eternal: and all of them will continue to be acceptable to every candid inquirer into the natural, political, and religious rights of Englishmen and protestants, as long as the language in which they are written shall be understood.--It is with pleasure, therefore, that we see so handsome, and so complete an edition of the works of this excellent prelate. The tracts inserted in the first volume are prefaced by, the life of the author, reprinted from the supplement to the *Biographia Britannica*, with additions; and in an appendix, are some detached parts of his lordship's correspondence with the prudent and amiable lady Sundon, (more known by the name of Mrs. Clayton, bed-chamber woman, and friend of the late queen Caroline). Placed before these letters, the reader will find, reprinted, two *dedications* to the bishop; which may also be considered as properly supplemental to the article reprinted from the *Biographia*: the more properly, as they only contain, what we do not usually look for in dedications, the *truth*. The first of these pieces, is the honest epistle dedicatory of Mr. Coade's celebrated "*Letter to a clergyman, relating to his 30th of January sermon, being a complete answer to all the sermons that ever have been, or ever shall be preached, in the like strain*"

strain, on that anniversary." This dedication consists, as our editor observes, of *historical facts*. The other dedication is that prefixed to a collection of tracts, moral, theological, &c. published in 1734, by John Balguy, M. A. vicar of Northallerton, and prebendary of Sarum. This piece consists of "well-deserved panegyric,"—the voice of "an obliged friend, speaking the honest dictates of his heart, to his *patron*; which *he* alone thought too high an encomium." That part of the appendix to the *article* of the life of Hoadly, in the *Biographia*, may be regarded as a very curious addition. They contain the bishop's private sentiments on a variety of interesting topics; and in particular a censure of Berkeley's *Minute Philosopher*.

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1182. *The PLEADINGS of the COUNSEL before the HOUSE of LORDS, in the great cause concerning LITERARY PROPERTY; Vide article 322.*

1183. *The CASES of the APPELLANTS and RESPONDENTS in the CAUSE of LITERARY PROPERTY, before the House of Lords: Wherein the decree of Lord Chancellor Apsley was reversed, 26 Feb. 1774. With the genuine arguments of the counsel, the opinions of the judges, and the speeches of the Lords who distinguished themselves on that occasion. With notes, references, and observations. By a gentleman of the Inner Temple. 4to. 2s. 6d. Bew, Paternoster-row, &c.*

The two publications now before us, pretend to give the public the *genuine* arguments of the counsel, opinions of the judges, and speeches of the lords on the late cause respecting literary property; but the former bears evident marks of having been compiled by some illiterate hand from news-paper memorials; and the latter retracts in the preface the promises it makes in the title-page.

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1184. HARGRAVE, on LITERARY PROPERTY. Vide article 317.

Mr. Hargrave's ingenious argument, is not only written with great clearness of thought and expression, but enters into a full investigation of several parts of the subject, and suggests some new and important ideas, which merit attention. *Monthly Review.*

1185. MORDECAI'S APOLOGY. *Letters V. VI. and VII.* Vide article 899.

The friends of rational and scriptural christianity in general are much indebted to the labours of this excellent advocate in their cause; and, after perusing this series of letters with the

attention and candour which they deserve, they will join us in opinion, that, whatever may be the issue with respect to *Mr. Levi* and his brethren of the circumcision, they cannot fail to serve the most useful purposes in establishing the truth, and explaining the genuine doctrines of revelation. The ingenious author has taken great pains to remove those prejudices that arise from a misinterpretation of the sacred writings; and, by vindicating *revealed religion* from those corruptions which have obscured its glory, and furnished its adversaries with their main objections against it, prepared the way for an impartial examination of its evidence, truth, and importance. *Monthly Review*.

1186. ENFIELD'S HISTORY of LEVERPOOL. Vide article 288.

The materials of this history were for the most part collected by a gentleman, whose untimely death prevented the execution of his plan; the collection has been since enlarged by other communications, and digested into its present order by the ingenious editor. 'The design,' as he tells us in the preface, 'was first formed by *Mr. George Perry*, a gentleman who had abilities and perseverance fully equal to the undertaking.' This scheme included a large and accurate plan of the town of *Liverpool*; elegant views of the town and of its principal buildings: a chart of the harbour, and a map of the environs; the natural, civil, and commercial history of the town; and some account of the adjacent country. He had the satisfaction to accomplish the whole of this design, excepting the history of the town and neighbourhood, and to receive the highest approbation from the public for the accuracy and elegance with which the plan, the views of the town, and the map of the environs were executed. The views of the public buildings were reserved for a place in the history, and therefore have not appeared till this publication. 'For the last part of the design, 'he had collected many valuable materials, chiefly respecting 'the etymology, natural history, and antiquities of *Liverpool*, 'and the adjacent places. These materials he intended to have 'increased, and to have digested into a connected and complete 'history; and had he lived, would certainly have executed the 'design upon a much larger plan, and in a much more perfect 'manner, than it appears at present. The editor, however, 'has done what lay in his power to collect new materials, particularly, with regard to the population, the public structures 'and institutions, and the commerce of the town; and has 'digested and drawn up the whole with all the attention which 'his other engagements would admit of.' To the whole is annexed a map, very accurately constructed, exhibiting an actual survey

survey of the environs of Liverpool for five miles round, the Exchange being the center; and of course including no less than 50 square miles. The editor concludes with informing the public, 'that a plan for the *history of Lancashire* has been drawn up, and some materials for the purpose collected, by a gentleman who has abilities every way equal to the undertaking;' and we heartily join with him in wishing, that a design so useful may not fail 'for want of the requisite assistance.'

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1187. WESLEY'S THOUGHTS upon SLAVERY. Vide article 1055.

Mr. Wesley has here collected from various writers, a good historical account of our modern negro slave-trade, with descriptions of the country and inhabitants from whence they are brought; the methods by which they are procured, together with the usage on their passage, and in the plantations where they are finally sold and settled. The pamphlet contains many facts on good authority, or as good as could be found; for we are less acquainted with the interior of Africa, than of any other quarter of the globe; and the writer has made many pertinent observations, which do honour to his humanity: the more so, as the subject is treated in a liberal manner, without being debased by any peculiar tincture,—which was perhaps to be apprehended.

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1188. A SUPPLEMENT to Wesley's Thoughts upon Slavery. Vide article 1056.

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attention and candour which they deserve, they will join us in opinion, that, whatever may be the issue with respect to *Mr. Levi* and his brethren of the circumcision, they cannot fail to serve the most useful purposes in establishing the truth, and explaining the genuine doctrines of revelation. The ingenious author has taken great pains to remove those prejudices that arise from a misinterpretation of the sacred writings; and, by vindicating *revealed religion* from those corruptions which have obscured its glory, and furnished its adversaries with their main objections against it, prepared the way for an impartial examination of its evidence, truth, and importance. *Montkly Review.*

1186. ENFIELD'S HISTORY of LEVERPOOL. Vide article 288.

The materials of this history were for the most part collected by a gentleman, whose untimely death prevented the execution of his plan: the collection has been since enlarged by other communications, and digested into its present order by the ingenious editor. 'The design,' as he tells us in the preface, 'was first formed by Mr. *George Perry*, a gentleman who had abilities and perseverance fully equal to the undertaking.' This scheme included a large and accurate plan of the town of *Liverpool*; elegant views of the town and of its principal buildings: a chart of the harbour, and a map of the environs; the natural, civil, and commercial history of the town; and some account of the adjacent country. He had the satisfaction to accomplish the whole of this design, excepting the history of the town and neighbourhood, and to receive the highest approbation from the public for the accuracy and elegance with which the plan, the views of the town, and the map of the environs were executed. The views of the public buildings were reserved for a place in the history, and therefore have not appeared till this publication. 'For the last part of the design, he had collected many valuable materials, chiefly respecting the etymology, natural history, and antiquities of *Liverpool*, and the adjacent places. These materials he intended to have increased, and to have digested into a connected and complete history; and had he lived, would certainly have executed the design upon a much larger plan, and in a much more perfect manner, than it appears at present. The editor, however, has done what lay in his power to collect new materials, particularly, with regard to the population, the public structures and institutions, and the commerce of the town; and has digested and drawn up the whole with all the attention which his other engagements would admit of.' To the whole is annexed a map, very accurately constructed, exhibiting an actual survey

survey of the environs of Liverpool for five miles round, the Exchange being the center; and of course including no less than 50 square miles. The editor concludes with informing the public, 'that a plan for the *history of Lancashire* has been drawn up, and some materials for the purpose collected, by a gentleman who has abilities every way equal to the undertaking;' and we heartily join with him in wishing, that a design so useful may not fail 'for want of the requisite assistance.'

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1187. WESLEY'S THOUGHTS upon SLAVERY. Vide article 1055.

Mr. Wesley has here collected from various writers, a good historical account of our modern negro slave-trade, with descriptions of the country and inhabitants from whence they are brought; the methods by which they are procured, together with the usage on their passage, and in the plantations where they are finally sold and settled. The pamphlet contains many facts on good authority, or as good as could be found; for we are less acquainted with the interior of Africa, than of any other quarter of the globe; and the writer has made many pertinent observations, which do honour to his humanity: the more so, as the subject is treated in a liberal manner, without being debased by any peculiar tincture,—which was perhaps to be apprehended.

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design ; for his principal aim is to lead his readers totally away from it, by seducing them to laugh at a methodist. His *reductio ad absurdum*, at the end, of abandoning all our plantations, is unworthy of notice.

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1189. *An APPEAL to the PUBLIC, on the Quebec Bill.* Vide article 1015.

This appeal to the public appears in the form of an intended parliamentary speech, which the writer tells his patrons, in an ironical dedication, he only wanted a seat in the house of commons to qualify him to deliver. The Quebec act is well defended, though on principles to which those who have attended to the disputed merits of it, are already no strangers.

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An appeal merely composed of words. The author is certainly a *good catholic*.

London Magaz.

1190. *The HISTORY of ARSACES.* Vide article 1039.

A romance, rather than a novel. It is a kind of political fiction, subjected to the severest laws of morality. It affords not 'one soft scene of love ; one sentiment of loose desire ; ' outrageous virtue is never gratified with anecdotes of private scandal ; nor licentiousness flattered with the sacred name of liberty.'—We may still farther justly characterize this piece in the words of the ingenious writer's preface :— ' Arsaces is ' not a mere moralist, or held up as a pattern of perfection, ' a monster which nature never formed. He is drawn---subject ' to the power, but not the slave, of passion ; and speaks with ' freedom the sentiments suggested by the occasion, whether gay, ' or grave, or reprehension or applause.'---To wipe off the false colourings of prejudice, and shew truth in their native purity, is the writer's aim :---and we think that he has succeeded, in an eminent degree. There are many singularities in this work ; but it abounds with excellent morality. The author's invention is extremely fruitful ; his language is nervous, his narratives are both entertaining and instructive ; and, on the whole, his performance is much superior to the ordinary novels of the times.

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1191. *The FATAL EFFECTS of INCONSTANCY.* Vide article 1161.

The fatal effects of criminal indulgencies in amorous pursuits, are here displayed, in a striking and exemplary light. The author has ability, and the translator judgment ; though perhaps, the latter is somewhat deficient in taste.

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1192. *The*

1192. *The PLEASURES of RETIREMENT, PREFERABLE to the JOYS of DISSIPATION.* Vide article 885.

A former English translation appeared about 30 years ago, under the title of '*The confession of Count de Harcourt.*'

Entertaining enough.

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London Mag.

1193. WILLIAMS'S ADVICE to gouty people. Vide article 50.

Notwithstanding the labours of the many writers, who have lately thought proper to address the public on the subject of this essay, Dr. Williams has not considered the matter as exhausted, but has thought proper to give us his opinions likewise concerning the nature of the gout, the treatment of patients in the different stages of it, and the means of preventing and shortening the paroxysms. He finds fault with some parts of the present practice; speaks largely of the good effects of *musk*, exhibited to the quantity of a scruple or half a drachm every six hours, and even of *castor*, in order to promote the expulsion of the gouty matter while it is fluctuating in the habit; and recommends cold bathing, as a practice well adapted to prevent a return of the fit. Late as it is in the season, the author accompanies Dr. Cadogan through many parts of his pamphlet. But those who have any appetite left for this stale subject, or who may think it of consequence to know in what points Dr. Williams dissents from Dr. Cadogan's doctrine, or to what parts of it he gives his assent, we must refer to the essay itself. For our parts, we are heartily sick of the subject, and shall continue very squeamish upon it, till some man of genius starts up, and really throws some new light upon the matter.

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1194. SMITH'S OBSERVATIONS on WILLIAMS'S TREATISE upon the GOUT. Vide articles 792, 874.

The reader will easily judge what kind and degree of information he is to expect on the dark points of physic from the present writer, who is not of the faculty, and seems to have no other requisites or just pretensions to commence author and theorist on these obscure subjects, than a strong *inclination* to benefit the public by his speculations, and the having had several smart fits of the gout. He stoutly controverts Dr. Williams's opinion, declared in the preceeding pamphlet, that the gout owes its origin to the *solids*:---a notion which rendered it 'necessary' for him, it seems, in order to corroborate his former opinion on this head, to make some observations on the

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the doctor's publication. In reference to this opinion, he endeavours to set the doctor right with respect to his mistaken notions concerning the effects of cold bathing; and 'proves' that the advantages derived from it are not produced by its bracing the *solids*, as the doctor supposes, but by the influence of the cold water on the *fluids*. This, the author, with great self-complacency, at once evinces 'by a very familiar and obvious experiment on the thermometer:' for plunge this instrument into a cold bath, says he, and it will shew by the descent of the mercury that the cold principally affects the *fluid* contained in it; without producing 'the least visible alteration in the glass tube;'--that is, in the *solids* of the machine, which doubtless happily and aptly represent the solids in the human system.---What can Dr. Williams or any other doctor say to this home proof? an experiment so much in point!

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1195. DAWSON'S CASES in the ACUTE RHEUMATISM and the GOUT. Vide articles 624, 718.

Though we cannot particularly enter into the contents of this pamphlet, which has accidentally been too long overlooked by us, we shall so far explain the design of it, as to observe that it contains an account of the effectual and speedy relief which has been given in several cases of the acute rheumatism and gout, by the exhibition of large doses, to the amount of half an ounce each, of the *volatile tincture of Guaiacum*. Several of these cases are here minutely related, each accompanied with a particular commentary, and with judicious remarks relating both to the general treatment of these disorders, and the proper seasons of exhibiting the medicine here recommended. On the whole, the results of these cases seem in a great measure to justify the good opinion which the author entertains concerning its efficacy, when administered with a proper regard to time and other circumstances.

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1196. KEAN'S METHOD of FINDING the LONGITUDE. Vide articles 523, 743.

Unintelligible.

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1197. CONDUITT'S OBSERVATIONS upon the PRESENT STATE of our GOLD and SILVER COINS, 1730. Vide article 917.

These observations being the genuine production of the author to whom they are ascribed, and faithfully transmitted to the press from his original manuscript, will sufficiently recommend

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commend them to all who wish to obtain an extensive and accurate information on this subject. *Monthly Review.*

1198. *The LIFE of the late EARL of CHESTERFIELD.* Vide article 1044.

Lord C's speeches and letters, a large bundle; tied together with little threads of narrative, the whole of which would scarce make a three-penny pamphlet. *Monthly Review.*

1199. *COLLIER'S MUSICAL TRAVELS.* Vide article 1069.

Mr. Joel Collier, who would pass himself upon us for a very funny fellow, appears evidently, in this exhibition of himself, to have set *Punch* before him as his model; but he does not, in our opinion, come up to the true *vis comica* of that facetious gentleman, except perhaps in some of the more reprehensible parts of the conduct of that ancient wit;—in mimicking his betters—talking gross bawdy---and more particularly in his much too frequent use of that characteristical and standing joke of his great archetype, f--ting in the face of his audience, by way of humour. There is a personal malignity which runs thro' the whole of this contemptible attack on an agreeable and instructive writer.---His humour, when he is not nasty or obscene, principally consists in parodying certain parts of Dr. Burney's Journals. And for this purpose our luckless Wight has pitched upon passages and expressions which do the most credit to the good sense, feeling and descriptive talents of the ingenious Journalist!---*Lepidum Caput!* *Monthly Review.*

1200. *An EXCURSION to the LAKES in WESTMORELAND and CUMBERLAND.* Vide article 886.

The scenes here described are, indeed, worthy of all that the powers of the pen or the pencil could contribute toward their due celebration; but the hand in which either is held, ought to be guided by the genius of a Titian, a Poussin, or a Claude. The talents of this writer, however, are not to be compared with those of the great masters above-named. He is capable of discerning and tasting the beauties which he delineates; but he is faulty in his expression. His drawing wants correctness, and there is too much glare in his colouring.---In word, without metaphor, he writes in raptures, so long continued, that we grow weary of them, and are quite disgusted with an eternal round and repetition of flowery epithets, and poetic imagery. There is no end of his admiration. Every new object, every succeeding scene, throws him into new exclamations; and there is scarce a page in which we do not meet

with occasion to wish that he had procured some friendly and judicious hand to lop off the exuberances of his pen, before he sent his work to the press. Had that been done, his performance might have been freed from the North British idioms, and English vulgarisms, with which it is frequently disgraced: and which appear the more extraordinary, as the author is by no means destitute of learning.---We suppose he is some young writer, who, in common with many juvenile scriblers, is fond of a luxuriant style, and imagines his diction cannot be too brilliant. Although we have censured this piece, on account of the redundance, incorrectness, and luxuriancy of the author's language, we readily admit that it abounds with well-written passages; and that it contains some very animated and pleasing descriptions. *Monthly Review.*

This author is not deficient in description; but his style is rather turgid and affectedly pompous. *London Magazine.*

1201. HORTI MALABARICI pars prima by HILL. Vide article 795.

The Hortus Malabaricus is the first botanical work, in point of reputation, that ever appeared in print before the Linnæan reformation of botany; and from its scarcity, and high price, there is no question but Dr. Hill's edition of it will be acceptable to the lovers of this science; exclusive of the consideration due to the improvements above-mentioned. --The high value in which the original has been held, arose, in a great measure, from its authenticity and accuracy; the drawings having been all exactly traced from the natural specimens: and those very specimens are still preserved in the British Museum. *Monthly Review.*

1202. A TRANSLATION of PART of the TWENTY-THIRD CANTO of the ORLANDO FURIOSO of ARIOSTO. Vide article 776.

This is published as a specimen of an intended translation of the whole poem. It comes, in our opinion, under the character of mediocrity, but is unequal. It is accompanied with an elegy on the death of Lord Bottetourt, late governor of Virginia, which has not much merit. *Monthly Review.*

1203. The Fox, an Elegiac Poem. Vide articles 1054, 1136

Pope declared that

While he liv'd, no rich or noble knave
Should walk in piece and quiet to his grave.

Here is a rhimester (no Pope though) who goes farther and seems resolved to suffer none of our great culprits to sleep in peace and quiet in their graves; nor, truly, would it be possible for

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for them to do so, if they could hear the wretched scratching and grating of such untunable lyres as this, which is strummed to abuse the memory, and the two sons of the late Lord Holland.

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1204. POPHAM'S SELECTA POEMATATA. Vide article 891.

The great defect of this entertaining collection is the frequent omission of the author's names.

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1205. PRIESTLEY'S INSTITUTES of RELIGION. Vol. III. Vide article 731.

This third volume of Dr. Priestley's institutes appears to be admirably calculated to answer his original design, viz. *the instruction of youth*. The doctor has shewn great judgment in not touching upon many subjects that have been controverted; and in the discussion of those which he could not possibly omit, he has contented himself, for the most part, with relating what appeared to be the genuine doctrines of revelation, without intimating that there has ever been any controversy upon the subject. In his preface he makes some general remarks upon what Dr. Reid, Dr. Beattie, and Dr. Oswald have advanced concerning the doctrines and evidences of religion.---But a full examination of what these authors have said is, we are told, ready for publication.

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1206. DOWNING'S PARTHIAN EXILE. Vide article 741.

We are extremely glad that Mr. Downing can please the good folks at Coventry and Worcester; we would not advise him, however, to trust his innocent country muse within the purlieus of Covent-Garden or Drury-Lane.

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1207. *The WATERMAN*; Vide articles 1049, 1140.

There is a certain *enjouement* in these ballad farces, which generally secures them a welcome reception at our theatres. Mr. Dibdin has a knack at striking off these little merry things; and *the waterman* is not the worst entertainment of the kind that hath been produced since the author of *Love in a Village* revived the taste for this species of dramatic exhibition.

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1208. EDWARDS'S SERMON, by COETLOGON. Vide article 773.

If ever there is a railing accusation brought against an assembly of Christians, it was this of Mr. Jonathan Edwards, who we believe to be nevertheless a pious pastor, according to

the old puritanical leaven, which has so thoroughly spread over English America. But doctrines of this complexion totally destroy all general distinctions; and had this sermon been preached in the chapel of a prison filled with the most abandoned miscreants that were ever sentenced to the gallows by a court of justice, the preacher could not have stigmatized and vilified them more than he has, we would charitably hope, a congregation of well-disposed Christians. The sermon is really a curious system of pious abuse; but perhaps Mr. Edwards found his hearers pleased with this kind of scolding, and so indulged them from mere kindness: and if such discourses are suitable to their taste and apprehensions, no one has a right to interfere between him and his flock. Possibly it is with the Bostonians, as with Parson ——'s old women: "they love to be damned."

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1209. MORELL'S SERMON at Lady Moyer's Lecture. Vide article 1163.

Although Mr. Lindsey, and the Unitarians in general, are scurrilously and grossly treated in this flaming piece of orthodoxy, we are glad to find that the author is not totally lost to all sense of decorum: That, after his discourse was sent to the press, he had a return of that modesty which had left him when it was preached, is evident from the suppression of his name.

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1210. DUNCOMBE'S CONSECRATION SERMON. Vide article 1063.

1211. PECKWELL'S CHARITY SERMON. Vide article 1064.

1212. GENUINE PATRIOTISM---A SERMON Preached before the gentlemen who support the Lord's Day Morning Lecture at Little St. Helen's, Bishopsgate street, June 12, 1774. By GEORGE STEPHEN, A. M. 8vo. 6d. Buckland, Paternoster Row.

This writer takes his text from Ezra ix. 13, 14. *And after that is come upon us for our evil deeds, &c.* In discoursing upon these words he pursues the following method: 1. He enumerates some of the more signal expressions of God's goodness to Great-Britain. He mentions some instances, in which the people of this land seem to have neglected or abused that goodness. 3. He considers what reason there is to fear, that God will punish our folly and ingratitude with severe judgements. And 4. He enquires what course we should take, in order to have these judgements averted, and our mercies continued. A pious, well-intended discourse, calculated for a plebeian audience. *Critical Review.*

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1213. FLEXMAN'S FUNERAL SERMON. Vide article 1053.

The *Monthly Review* is silent on the above four articles.

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1214. *The ANTIQUITIES of FURNESS; or, an account of the Royal Abbey of St. Mary, in the Vale of Nightshade, near Dalton in Furness, belonging to the Right Honourable Lord George Cavendish.* 4to. 344 pages, with 136 of appendix, 1 of preface, 4 of dedication to lord George Cavendish, 5 of subscribers names, 3 of contents, and 4 copper plates neatly engraved by Bail y. 15s. sewed. Johnson, St. Paul's Church-yard.

In treating of ancient buildings the end most frequently kept in view is the mere gratification of curiosity; but the author of the present work appears to be not more actuated by this principle than by motives of a moral and political nature. Addressing himself particularly to the inhabitants of Furness, he expresses his hope of meeting with their approbation and encouragement, by placing before them the laudable examples of their ancestors in every civil and religious virtue, and by rendering them acquainted with the ancient customs, rights, and privileges, on which their tenures depend. A plan so well devised serves not only to convey useful knowledge, but likewise to excite a generous emulation, and most secure to Mr. West the author, the favour of the public, as well as the gratitude of his provincial readers. The country of Furness is an insulated tract of land in Lancashire. After accurately describing the country, the author proceeds to deliver an account of the abbey, he takes a general view of the origin and progress of monastic life, and entertains his readers with an account of the Cistercian and Savigny order of monks. He next enquires at what period monks were first introduced into England, and delivers the reasons generally assigned for the rapid progress of the several religious orders in this kingdom. After producing a great number of ancient charters, the author treats of the order, dress, and privileges of the monks of Furness; in the course of which detail we meet with many interesting remarks relative to the appropriation of tythes. After a variety of articles, serving to elucidate the history of his subject, the author favours us with an abstract of the customs of several manors in Furness, established since the dissolution; he then proceeds to relate some particulars relating to the priory of Conishead, and the rectory of Ulverstone, after which he presents us with a synopsis of the Furness families, which exhibits a short historical account of sixteen families, which have possessed estates in the country of Furness through a period of many ages. This subject is succeeded

ceeded by a view of the state of population in Furness, extracted from the parish registers : and the volume concludes with a large appendix, containing the copies of charters, and other papers relative to the history of Furness. The work is illustrated with a map of the liberty of Furness ; a plan of the abbey of St. Mary ; a perspective view of its ruins elegantly engraved ; and an engraving of its common seal. The contents of the volume in general, evince Mr. West to have been extremely assiduous in his researches, and while they cast a clear light on a part of the English antiquities, they must in a particular manner gratify the curiosity of the inhabitants of Furness. *Critical Review.*

1215. PHIPP'S VOYAGE to the NORTH POLE. Vide article 1162.

Whatever idea, has formerly been entertained of the practicability of a North-east passage, the journal now before us seems sufficient fully to extinguish the expectation of its ever being affected. Captain Phipps has conducted this publication with much judgment, by preserving the journal of the voyage uninterrupted, and placing in an appendix, such observations as were made in astronomy, navigation, and natural history in distinct articles ; the disregard to which method was an obvious defect in the compilation of Hawkesworth's voyages. In short, he appears evidently to have conducted the undertaking with trepidity and the abilities of a skilful and judicious commander ; nor is he less entitled to applause in the character of an accurate journalist. The various observations that were made, he has arranged in the clearest manner, and neglected no circumstance of enquiry which he had any opportunity of prosecuting : above all, his nautical remarks deserve to be considered as a valuable addition to the improvements in navigation. The work is illustrated with several plates, and contains, if not much entertainment, at least a great variety of scientific information. *Critical Review.*

Certain it is, that there has not appeared a voyage in any language so replete with natural information, nor in which the mariner and philosopher can find such liberal entertainments.

Gentlemen's Mag.

1216. YOUNG'S POLITICAL ARITHMETIC. Vide article 648.

The subjects of this work are extremely various and important, comprehending no less than every circumstance in national conduct, that tends either to the advancement or obstruction of agriculture. In the first part the author examines those points which have proved an encouragement to the art in Great-Britain. In the second, he enquires into the means of removing obstacles ;

obstacles ; and in the third, he reviews several false propositions advanced by other writers. By this arrangement the variety of his matter is kept from confusion, and a due connection preserved through the whole of these parts. The great design of the work is to shew that the agriculture, wealth, population, and happiness of the lower classes are in this kingdom in a very high degree of perfection ; in a much higher than is admitted by several very respectable writers : in proving this we find the subjects of the corn trade, taxation in England, inclosures, luxury, size of farms, prices of provisions, and state of population, treated in a more complete manner than in any other work we have seen : indeed, we conceive this part of Mr. Young's enquiry to be handled with greater ability than he has shewn on any former occasion ; having replied to the false ideas of many writers on those subjects in a very sensible manner. Many striking observations are made on the principles of population, in which the author explains its dependance on the encrease of employment ; and shews that no former period could in this country be more populous than the present, because there was not an equal demand in manufactures, arts, and commerce for the surplus of the country population ; a new idea which he supports with judicious arguments.

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1217. WILLIAMS *on* EDUCATION. Vide *article* 1038.

The author of this essay, in one of his introductory chapters, makes some general remarks on the mode of education, pursued in most of our colleges and public schools. From general remarks, he proceeds to consider the schemes of education proposed by Milton, Locke, Rousseau and Helvetius. Having considered some of the most important plans of education, which have been proposed by others, and offered his objections to each of them, he points out such improvements in our present methods, as he thinks are practicable, and yet important enough to require the public attention. In short, the great point which he every where inculcates, is to follow the directions of nature ; and this mode of proceeding is now generally thought the most judicious.

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A strange mixture of solid and light, judicious, and erroneous remarks on the important subject of education. The author is not deficient in his knowledge of human nature, and of the world, but he seems to have a little too much self-respect, as well as a little misanthropy. He is sharp in discovering the errors of those writers who have preceded him ; but some of his alterations in their systems, we think, are not for the better, but for the worse.

London Magazine.

1218. POEMS.

1218. POEMS. *By the author of the Sentimental Sailor.* Vide article 465.

Passable.

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1219. SCOTT'S FEMALE ADVOCATE. Vide article 1174.

Did no other instance exist of genius in a lady than that with which we are here presented, this production alone would afford incontestible proof that nature has not prohibited the fair from arriving at excellence in poetry. But Miss Scott has asserted the intellectual endowments of the sex by such a multitude of examples as fully establish their title to the favour of the muses, and an honourable rank in polite literature. We cannot avoid remarking, as a circumstance greatly to the honour of Miss Scott, that she celebrates the praises of the most eminent even of her cotemporary female writers with a degree of warmth and generosity that is seldom discovered among rival candidates for fame. We may add, that, though her panegyric includes so many respectable names, she never offends us with a repetition of the same compliment, but her address is equally various, elegant, and poetical.

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The poetry is but moderate; there is, however, a commendable design, and spirited exertion in the attempt.

Westminster Mag.

1220. *An ADDRESS to PROTESTANT DISSENTERS.* Vide articles 920, 1091.

This address is divided into two parts, in the first of which the dissenters are warmly urged to choose for their representatives, at the ensuing election, such men as are firmly attached to the civil and religious liberties of their country. For this purpose they are reminded of the strenuous opposition made by their ancestors to the encroachments of arbitrary power; they are taught to consider those men as determined enemies to the religion of dissenters, who obstructed the success of the late application to parliament from that body; and they are earnestly exhorted to the most powerful exertion of their influence at this crisis, if they would preserve themselves from soon becoming victims on the altar of civil tyranny. Such are the arguments in the first part of this address. In the second, the author endeavours to establish the incompetency of the British parliament for taxing America; and admonishes the dissenters to choose such persons to represent them as will also assert the independency of our colonies in that important article of government. The whole of the address is animated, and breathes a generous spirit of public

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public liberty; but, that it may operate more strongly on the minds of those for whom it is written, the author is at pains to excite such ominous apprehensions respecting our civil and religious privileges, as we hope the genius of Britain will long prevent from being verified.

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Sensible and spirited.

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1221. *A LETTER to Sir WILLIAM MEREDITH, Bart. in answer to his late letter to the Earl of Chatham.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Kearsly, Fleet-street.

Political subjects of importance admit of so much controversy, and are generally so warmly treated with verbal, as well as argumentative opposition, that they ought to be investigated with the greatest coolness and impartiality. Were the affairs of Canada discussed purely on these principles, it is probable that the consideration of the subject would have terminated before this time.

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1222. *BINGHAM'S VINDICATION of the DOCTRINE and LITURGY of the CHURCH of ENGLAND.* Vide article 1052.

Mr. Bingham produces several passages of scripture in support of Christ's divinity, and of that worship, which is paid to him in the liturgy of the church of England. He answers this assertion in Mr. Lindsey's apology, "that the fathers of the first three centuries, and consequently all Christian people, were what we now call Arians or Socinians." He then endeavours to prove the personality and divinity of the Holy Ghost; and alledges several texts of scripture, in which he thinks the doctrine of the Trinity is clearly and fully revealed. Mr. Bingham is a learned and respectable author; and seems to be well acquainted with the early writers of the Christian church.

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1223. *An APPEAL to REASON.* Vide article 1061.

This tract contains a series of reflections on the existence of God, the nature of man, the Jewish dispensation, the prophecies, concerning the Messiah, the most material circumstances, corresponding with those prophecies, in the life of Christ, the credibility and excellence of Christianity, the expediency of rites and ceremonies, of articles and subscriptions in the Christian church, &c. The author speaks of his performance with unquestionable propriety, when he tell us, that it contains 'the honest sentiments of a plain disinterested layman, without the embellishments of learning.' The observations

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vations and arguments are trite, but not injudicious: the style in which they are conveyed is in general unexceptionable.

Critical Review.

1224. TUCKER, *on* RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE. Vide articles 647, 842.

In this tract the learned author endeavours to shew, that no violence or compulsion of any kind is prescribed in the scriptures, as a proper method to be used by the worshipers of the true God, either for the original propagation, or for the subsequent defence and preservation of true religion. He particularly considers the conduct of Elijah, who commanded fire to come down from heaven to consume the worshipers of Baal, 2 Kings, i. 10. He observes, that there was something singular in the situation and circumstances of the prophet; that the Israelites were commissioned by divine authority to extirpate the Canaanites, on account of their idolatry and other enormities; that this however was only a local injunction, and never intended to be a general rule; that with respect to the Israelites themselves, according to the terms of their constitution, idolatry was treason against the state, an act of rebellion against their king Jehovah, and a capital crime, see Deut. xiii.; that the idol was Baal, the supposed god of the sun, or of fire; and that the prophet, in order to confute their idolatry in a more exemplary manner, made the very element of fire the instrument of their punishment. By these and other considerations he shews, that the conduct of Elijah can in no respect countenance the doctrine of persecution in the Christian church. In the latter part of this tract he observes, that neither our Lord nor his apostles have given any directions, or left any commands behind them concerning the use of penalties on the score of religion. He goes further, and insists, that, in the parable of the wheat and the tares Mat. xiii. our Saviour has expressly enjoined us to abstain from persecuting measures, under any religious pretence whatever. This dissertation is only a part of a more comprehensive work for elucidating the holy scriptures, which the author, we are informed, is preparing for publication, with as much dispatch as is consistent with his other engagements. *Critical Review.*

1225. MURDIN'S PARAPHRASE *on* the GENERAL EPISTLE of St. JAMES. Vide article 1043.

It has been generally supposed, that the epistle of St. James contains many passages, utterly inconsistent with the tenets of the Methodists. Among other texts the following one has been urged against their doctrine concerning the insignificance of works

works: 'You see how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.' In commenting on these words Mr. Murdin says: 'We are justified, or made like God, by the pure all-sufficient works of the great Jehovah, being *always ours*, through our connection with a Redeemer, and not by any imperfect act of our own minds, in believing or trusting to any thing within us.' Here, and in other similar places, this *ingenious* Methodist has been very happy in *explaining*, or as most people may think, *perverting* the meaning of St. James.

Critical Review.

1226. BENTLEY'S *five* LETTERS. Vide article 1171.

A crude, immethodical compilation of texts of scripture, accompanied with a practical comment; in which we find the undoubted signs of piety, but no traces of learning or ingenuity.

Critical Review.

1227. LUSUS POETICI. Vide article 1173.

This publication contains a Latin translation of Mrs. Greville's prayer for indifference to Oberon the fairy; a translation of the celebrated song, 'When Orpheus went down to the regions below;' a translation of Dr. Warton's ode to solitude, published in the second volume of Pearch's collection of poems; and nine other small pieces. In all of them there is a delicacy of sentiment, and elegant Latinity: except some few inaccuracies,

Critical Review.

1228. A SCOURGE for FALSE PATRIOTS. Vide article 18.

No narrative, censorious old woman in a chimney corner, ever indulged her spleen more copiously than mother Hubbard, in her tale of the ape and fox. Never did grimalkin experience the weight of her distaff, impelled with greater fury, than she here discovers against the poor patriots, whom she belabours in a most unmerciful manner.

Critical Review.

1229. The OPTIMIST. Vide articles 644, 1119.

This poem treats of the fashionable vices of the times, which the author recommends ironically, with some degree of humour.

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1230. The STAGE of ARISTOPHANES. 4to. 1s. Setchell, King-Street, Covent-Garden.

The subject of this poem is the performers at Mr. Foote's theatre in the Hay-market, whom the author endeavours to characterise. We cannot pretend to such acquaintance with the

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several persons as to determine positively concerning the justness either of the panegyric or satire which is here bestowed upon them; but if the author's discernment and impartiality be not greater than the poetical merit of his production, the parties have no reason to be much affected by his decisions.

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1231. PLAUTUS'S COMEDIES, *translated by WARNER.* Vide articles 348, 942.

Two volumes, containing seven comedies, were published by the late Bonnel Thornton, esq. in the year 1767; five translated by himself; one, the Merchant, by George Colman, Esq. and one, the Captives, by Richard Warner, esq. of Woodford-Row, Essex, who has continued and completed the work. The fifth and last volume contains, Bacchides, or the Courtezans; Persa, the Persian; Asinaria, the Ass-dealer; Casina, the Lots; and some Fragments, which have been preserved by grammarians. The translator has executed this performance with a laudable fidelity.

Critical Review.

1232. The SOUTH BRITON. Vide articles 324, 567.

Mowbray, a young gentleman just returned from the grand tour, with a train of foreign servants, and a contempt for the manners of his countrymen, is the South Briton from whom the performance before us is denominated. To effect his conversion to a less extravagant mode of thinking, is the chief business of the piece; and although the means employed for this purpose are far from being the most proper, yet as he is endued with much good sense, which is borne down chiefly by the tide of passion, it is not improbable that slight circumstances might awaken reflection, and teach him to despise the fashionable *ton* into which he had given. With respect to the characters, they are very well marked; and in Sir Terence O'Shaughnessy, and Donald Macpherson, the national peculiarities of character are very well hit off.

Critical Review.

1233. WARNER, on the TESTICLES. Vide articles 353, 1098.

After delivering a distinct and concise account of the structure of the parts, and describing the several diseases to which they are liable, Mr. Warner enters upon the method of cure. This he illustrates with some cases, and discovers, through the whole, much chirurgical knowledge and experience.

1234. HOSSACK'S ABRIDGMENT of VAN SWEITEN'S COMMENTARIES. Vide article 1095.

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F O R O C T O B E R.

In this work Dr. Hossack judiciously abridges his copious author. He has brought it down to the conclusion of the peripneumonia-notha, and intends to comprise the whole in five volumes.

Critical Review.

1235. MARRYAT'S PRESCRIPTIONS, translated by Dodd.
Vide articles 377, 1093.

If we take the author's word for it, this is 'the best family physician and surgeon, yet extant, in any language!' We wish that so modest a character were not extremely inapplicable. The benevolence which Mr. Dodd professes may be his motive to this publication, but it cannot be productive of any good effect.

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1236. DE VIVIGNIS'S DESCRIPTION of the FOUR SITUATIONS of a GOUTY PERSON. Vide articles 379, 1096.

In this pamphlet, we meet with no other information than that the gout ought to be managed by a physician. As the author mentions no directions relative to its treatment, we may presume that he thinks every physician equally qualified for the task.

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1237. The AMBULATOR. Vide article 1176.

Whoever is desirous of being furnished with an account of the metropolis, and the most remarkable places within the extent of twenty-five miles round it, may meet with an useful and entertaining companion in this Ambulator. Besides the descriptions being clear and copious, a short historical account of the places is frequently added.

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1238. The SOUTHAMPTON GUIDE; or, an account of the ancient and present state of that town; its fortifications, charitable foundations, churches, and schools, trade, government, fairs, markets, playhouse, assembly-rooms, gentlemen's seats in its environs, remarkable prospects, pleasant rides, baths, &c. Together with the times of going out and coming in of stage-coaches, machines, carriers, posts, &c. To which is added, a description of the most remarkable remains of antiquity to be met with in this neighbourhood; also, the isles of Wight, Lymington, Lyndhurst, Romsey, Redbridge, Millbrook, Titchfield, &c. With many other curious and useful articles.
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The contents of this directory are so fully expressed in the title-page, we need only observe that it may prove acceptable to those who visit this place of polite resort.

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1239. RULES for the FRENCH GENDERS. By NICHOLAS SALOMON. 8vo. 6d. Riley, Curzon-street, May-Fair.

A method for facilitating the acquisition of this necessary part of grammar, cannot fail of being highly useful to all who learn the French language. Great observation and industry have been requisite to invent the rules here laid down, and we therefore hope that Mr. Salomon will reap from the public favour, the fruit which his labour deserves. *Critical Review.*

1240. *An ACCOUNT of the RISE, PROGRESS, &c. of the SOCIETY for the RELIEF of DEBTORS.* Vide articles 663, 1110.

This laudable institution merits the encouragement of the humane and affluent. It appears from this account that many poor families have already experienced its beneficent effects.

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1241. *The FUGITIVE MISCELLANY.* Vide articles 520, 970.

This production we are informed is intended as a continuation of a '*New Foundling Hospital of Wit*,' and to be published annually; but before a year expires, the author will probably find it prudent to continue his miscellany no further. If a confused jumble of incoherent rhapsodies in verse and prose, can have any claim to attention, this truly *Fugitive Medley* greatly deserves the public favour.

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1242. *LETTERS on USURY and INTEREST.* Vide articles 622, 975.

These letters have been formerly published in an Edinburgh weekly magazine, in which the subject was argued on both sides. The circumstance most observable in the controversy is that the disputants refer the decision respecting modern practices to the usages of the ancient Jews.

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1243. *RINGSTED'S CATTLE-KEEPER'S ASSISTANT.* Vide articles 320, 1111.

The value of these receipts must be determined by those who have had experience in the distempers of animals. That the prescriptions are popular, we believe; but whether they be efficacious, we are uncertain.

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1244. *NEVEAU'S ARCANDAM'S ASTROLOGY.* Vide articles 654, 980.

An attempt to revive a science, which has long since been justly exploded.

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1245. *CONSIDERATIONS on the BROAD-CLOTH MANUFACTORY.* 8vo. 1s. Printed at Edinburgh. Balfour and Dickson, Edinburgh.

The design of this pamphlet, to use the author's own language, is to shew, 1. That if a woollen manufactory were properly encouraged, there is as great a probability of its success, as there could be of any hitherto established in this part of the kingdom. 2. That, if introduced, it would be attended with the greatest advantages to the country in general, and give the most comfortable subsistence to the workmen employed in it. And, 3. That the means of introducing it are neither so difficult, nor distant, as in many manufactures which have been already carried on to advantage." *Edinburgh Mag.*

1246. *LETTERS concerning the TRADE and MANUFACTURES of SCOTLAND; particularly the linen and woollen manufactures.* By DAVID LOCH, merchant. 8vo. 6d. No Publishers name.

These letters regard an important subject, and are not the vague assertions of a theorist. The writer, who was long engaged in trade, employs his experience to the advantage of his country. His reflections are pertinent and merit attention.

Edinburgh Mag.

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1247. *The ELECTRICAL PHILOSOPHER. Containing a new system of physics, founded upon the principle of an universal plenum of elementar fire wherein the nature of elementary fire is explained, its office pointed out, its extensive influence and utility in explaining many of the most abstruse phenomena of nature shewed, and the grand desideratum in particular which has been hitherto either entirely given up as inexplicable, or else sought after in vain by the most able naturalists, is at length obtained, viz. the cause of gravity, the cause of cohesion, &c. &c.* The greater part of the publication is disposed in the form of a dialogue, as the most familiar method of conveying instruction, and the whole is offered to the public, by way of supplement to the philosophical essays lately published by the same author. To which is subjoined a postscript, containing strictures upon the uncandid animadversions of the monthly reviewers on those essays. By R. LOVETT, lay-clerk of the cathedral church of Worcester. 8vo. 288 pages, with 10 of index, 10 of glossary, 3 of contents, 8 of subscribers names, 8 of preface, 1 of dedication to the bishop of Worcester, and 2 folding copper-plates. 3s. boards. Printed at Worcester

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Worcester for the author, and sold by him at Worcester, and by Bew, Pater-noster Row, London.

The doctrine of this writer is, that matter is not wholly inert, owing to all gross bodies being pervaded by an elementary fire, in the form of an exceedingly fine air or æther, which is indefinitely elastic and rare; that this fire subsists without a pabulum, and consequently yields neither smoke, ashes, nor any other gross feculent matter, but is as pure as the fire in the focus of a burning glass; that heat is an accidental quality of fire generated by the mutual attrition of the particles of the fire, consequently is only the effect of fire, but not an essential property of it; that water, in its pristine state, is solid, and that its fluidity depends upon the quantity of fire contained in it: that fire is indefinitely elastic, and acts by pressure or an impelling force, that it is the mechanical cause that we breathe, live, and move, the physical cause of gravitation, cohesion, magnetism, the ebbing and flowing of the sea, and of all other the most abstruse phenomena of nature; in short, that it is delegated by the wise Author of nature to be the principal, if not the only instrument, which he has appointed and makes use of to execute his divine will, throughout the whole mundane system. This he has endeavoured to prove by experiments, and however novel this doctrine may appear, it carries with it a face of plausibility. In the course of this work, the author has supported his hypothesis with the opinions of many learned philosophers, whose accidental observations on particular matters corroborate his assertions. The language is clear and perspicuous, and however we may differ from him in general, we have found his book not only excentric, but curious and entertaining.

¹248. *A LETTER to Dr. WILLIAM HUNTER, physician extraordinary to the Queen, professor of anatomy in the royal Academy, and Fellow of the Royal and Antiquarian Societies, on the dangerous tendency of Medical vanity, occasioned by the death of Lady Holland. By WILLIAM ROWLEY, M. D. and married midwife. 8vo. 32 pages. 1s. F. Newbery, Ludgate-Street.*

Charging Dr. Hunter with vanity and unfair practice in advising Lady Holland who died of a cancer, not to trust herself in Dr. Rowley's hands, who had been strongly recommended to her, by a lady whom he had cured of a cancerous disorder, when given up by Dr. Hunter, and Dr. Fothergill.

1249. *POEMS, by ROBERT FERGUSON. 12mo. 121 pages with 3 of contents, 10 of glossary, and an engraved title-page. 2s. 6d. boards. Printed at Edinburgh by Walter.*

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A small collection, but a pleasing variety. Nothing extraordinary can be said of the poetry, but there are a few Scotch poems pretty enough, and the words explained by a glossary.

1250. *The PRINCIPAL CORRECTIONS made in the HISTORY of MANCHESTER. Book I. On republishing it in octavo. 4to. 166 pages, with 24 of index, and some copper-plates of coins, &c. 3s. sewed. White, Fleet-street.*

This is a supplement to the former work, and till such time as a future edition of it shall be published with these corrections properly thrown into it; this publication must be acceptable to the purchasers of the history. Mr. Whitaker tells us, there are some minute corrections in this supplement, which are not to be found in the octavo edition of his history of Manchester; they not having occurred to him, before that edition was printed off.

1251. *VOX POPULI, or Old England's glory; or destruction in one thousand, seven hundred and seventy-four; being a choice collection of hints, found in the cabinet of a late worthy and noble lord, to the freeholders of Great-Britain, in their choice of members to serve in parliament at the ensuing general election, with comments upon them. By an old member of the lower house, but no place-man, pensioner or title. To which is added by the same nobleman, an hint to his majesty. 8vo. 36 pages, with 6 of preface, and one of dedication to Sir George Saville. 1s. Parker, Cornhill.*

Whether these hints were penned by a noble lord, or a garretteer author is immaterial; they are good ones, in favour of the popular party, and worth attending to, and they are seasonably published.

1252. *ENGLAND'S TEARS: a poem inscribed to Britannia. To which is added, advice to the voters of Great-Britain, at the approaching general election. 4to. 15 pages, with 2 of preface. 1s. 6d. G. Kearsly, Fleet-street.*

The product of an infant muse, and that a female one. It exhibits a picture of the general depravity of religious and civil policy. How true a one, it is not for us to say; she is a patriot, and as patriots now a-days possess neither rhyme nor reason, to expect it here would be idle. The measure is ten syllables.

1253. *The RESURRECTION of LIBERTY; or advice to the colonists: a poem, by the ghost of Churchill. 4to. 26 pages, with*
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3 of dedication to Lord Chatham. 2s. G. Allen, Pater-noster Row.

The measure of this poem is heroic, as the last, but much better executed. It lashes some well-known characters, and calls the Americans to arms.

1254. *The LORD our RIGHTEOUSNESS. A discourse on Jeremiah xxiii. 6. Being a probation sermon preached at the parish church of St. Bartholomew the less, West-Smithfield, on Sunday, July 3, 1774. By BENJAMIN RUSSEN, clerk, candidate for the lectureship of the said parish, then vacant, and appointed to preach by the Rev. Dr. Kettilby; who after the election, refused him the pulpit. And is now published at the request of some of the parishioners. 8vo. 16 pages, with 6 of preface. 6d. Printed for the author. G. Keith, Gracechurch-street.*

The preface to this sermon is a state of Mr. Russen's case, and if faithfully related, Dr. Kettilby has behaved much unlike a gentleman. The sermon is a poor one.

1255. *IDEAL TRIFLES. Published by a lady. 8vo. 266 pages, with 6 of advertisement. 3s. sewed. John Boosey, King-street, Cheapside.*

We are told in the advertisement prefixed to this work, that the letters of which it consists, were written by a set of friends who formed themselves into a society, which they called the *Society of Idealists*, having all agreed in believing that they who would seriously set about obtaining the greatest happiness, in this life, must look for it within themselves. These letters (part of which form the volume before us and if approved, will be followed by the remainder), fell into the editor's hands with other papers, at the death of a gentleman she esteemed. She has made no other alterations in them, than disguising the names of persons and places, and correcting some few trifling errors. The pages are of a moral tendency, and the reader will profit on a perusal of them.

1256. *HEBE, an heroic poem on her majesty. 4to. 20 pages, with one of argument. 1s. 6d. G. Allen, Pater-noster Row.*

The queen's intended excursion to Portsmouth is the subject of this piece. A compliment to her Majesty at the sacrifice of sense and poetry.

1257. *HOTCH POTCH. Containing a conclamation of original pieces; a biggledy piggledy of controversies and opinions on various*

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This volume is enough. Mr. Medley, publish no more.

1258. *The MODERN IMPROVEMENTS in AGRICULTURE. Containing the principles of tillage and vegetation and present practice of the most skilful husbandmen in the culture of corn and pulse, and of the grasses, plants, and roots for feeding cattle: and a comparative view of their uses and advantages, from authentic experiments made by many ingenious persons, particularly in Britain and Ireland. Likewise the most approved methods of watering land, draining, and other valuable improvements. Illustrated with copper-plates and descriptions of several new instruments; one a horse-hoe invented by the author, of very general use, for hoeing all crops planted in rows, with wide or narrow spaces. Part I. By a practiser of both old the and new husbandry. 8vo. 158 pages, with 5 of preface, and 3 copper-plates. 2s. 6d. sewed. J. Wilkie, St. Paul's Church-yard.*

As this publication has the appearance of proving exceedingly valuable, and very acceptable to all who busy themselves in the cultivation of land; we will lay before our readers the author's own account of his plan, which he has faithfully executed as far as the work is carried on. It is not his design to give a general system of husbandry, but to select the most valuable matter from the best authors, and to connect them in a clear and concise method; and occasionally to insert some experiments that he has himself made, and a description of such instruments as he has found useful from experience. In material points of theory and practice, the authors are quoted, avoiding however too frequent repetitions, and where he advances any thing new of his own, the reasons are assigned. The whole of this work, he tells us, is ready for the press, and will consist of about four or five parts of the size of this. The new husbandry is described, the principles are stated, and the objections to them considered.

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Dr. Ogilvie, in his advertisement, seems to intimate an intention to write another volume, in which it is proposed to consider this 'divine art' as a means of human happiness and civilization.

Monthly Review.

1262. WILLIAMS, *on* EDUCATION. Vide *articles* 1038, 1217.

Though this book contains many exceptionable passages, sentiments that are insupportable, and suppositions that are idly founded, yet there is not wanting in Mr. Williams's speculations a vein of good sense; and when he deviates from the

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3. Of perspicuous composition.
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5. Of sublime composition.
6. Of nervous composition.
7. Of correct composition.

Dr. Ogilvie, in his advertisement, seems to intimate an intention to write another volume, in which it is proposed to consider this 'divine art' as a means of human happiness and civilization.

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1262. WILLIAMS, *on* EDUCATION. Vide *articles* 1038, 1217.

Though this book contains many exceptionable passages, sentiments that are insupportable, and suppositions that are idly founded, yet there is not wanting in Mr. Williams's speculations a vein of good sense; and when he deviates from the

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common track, he seems to march, at least, under the auspices of nature. *Monthly Review.*

This gentleman's system is sensible and judicious, but liable to objections, as not being always practicable. *Westm. Mag.*

1263. BAYLY'S HEBREW and ENGLISH BIBLE. Vide article 898.

An acquaintance with the Hebrew language is an acquisition that may be made without very great difficulty, and Dr. Bayly hopes to promote and facilitate the knowledge of it by the publication now before us; concerning which we are told that, 'if the reader, learned or unlearned, would but imagine the pains, expedition, and expence, that have been taken for his use in this edition of the Old Testament, he would readily befriend and admire it.' The notes, as Dr. Bayly observes, are short and comparatively very few; they are sometimes, we think, omitted in places where they might have been usefully inserted, without adding materially to the bulk of the volumes. In short, the volumes afford the reader a convenient opportunity of comparing the Hebrew with the English translation, and no better expedient, perhaps, as the editor observes, could be proposed to render the study and knowledge of that language easy and attainable. With this view, he says, he offers to the Public the cheapest and most commodious edition of the Hebrew scriptures, that ever was printed. It is decorated with a frontispiece representing Moses receiving the law on Mount Sinai, and illustrated by two maps; one, of journies performed by the Israelites, and the other, of their settlement in Canaan.

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1264. MACAULAY'S MODEST PLEA for the PROPERTY of COPY-RIGHT. Vide articles 355, 452.

We do not indeed find in this work any scientific explanation of the nature of literary property; any philosophical researches into the grounds on which the rights of authors rest; or any learned examination of their pretensions to an exclusive property in their works, derived from common law. We even find, at the beginning of the work, positions concerning the nature of common law, which seem to confound it with the general principles of equity, and the universal law of nature; and, consequently, to leave a discretionary power in the breast of the judge to determine what is law, by appealing to his own ideas of natural right and moral fitness: a consequence which so judicious and zealous an advocate for liberty as Mrs. Macaulay would be loth to admit. But notwithstanding these defects, we find the subject treated with so much good sense and rectitude of sentiment, that it is a question with us, whether

whether our heroine has not discomfited the enemy as much by this slight skirmish, as the veteran forces by their regular attack; and whether it has not happened in this contest, as it sometimes happens in military encounters, that the light and flying troops do as much execution as the rest. *Monthly Review.*

1265. KENRICK'S ADDRESS to the ARTISTS. Vide articles 640, 725.

In this publication, Dr. Kenrick seems much displeased with Mrs. Macaulay for speaking of artists, in comparison with authors, as inventors of a very inferior order. And, from the importance of the improvements of the arts, to society, he infers that artists deserve a higher rank in the order of merit than is usually allowed them, and that they are entitled to greater encouragement and a more certain reward, than they at present enjoy: he addresses therefore, the artists and manufacturers of Great Britain to engage them to apply to parliament on this business. He first briefly establishes the natural right of artists to live by the fruits of their ingenuity and labour; and attempts to prove that the author and artist stand exactly in the same predicament in regard to a right of property in their respective inventions: after which he proceeds to shew the political expediency of giving public encouragement to inventions and discoveries in the arts and sciences. He then takes a view of the several methods in which they have hitherto been rewarded; which he censures. This done, he compares the actual state of the useful arts, in respect of encouragement, with that of literature and the fine arts; and proposes that application should be made to parliament, to obtain for all artists an exclusive right of property in their inventions.

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1266. CURSORY REMARKS on TRAGEDY, &c. Vide articles 771, 1126.

It is the obvious intention of this writer rather to controvert received opinions, than to advance new observations; and, as a polemical critic, he has taken the field against two redoubted adversaries (Dr. Johnson and Mrs. Montague) in their respective strictures on Shakespeare. The Doctor has, in his preface, certainly laid himself extremely open to criticism; and here the author of the remarks has evidently, in many instances, the advantage; but against the literary Amazon he gains no ground: and the affectation of singularity alone could have induced him to place Corneille before Shakespeare, in the list of dramatic poets. In other instances he is more just. In general, he expresses himself in a genteel style of language, and he evinces his taste for classical learning, and the fine arts.

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1267. GLASS'S

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1267. GLAS'S EXAMINATION of Mr. HENRY'S STRICTURES
on his MAGNESIA. Vide articles 245, 597.

1268. HENRY'S LETTER to GLASS. Vide article 598.

1269. A REFUTATION of Mr. HENRY'S STRICTURES, &c.
Vide articles 477, 599.

Mr. Henry's communicating to the public a process for preparing pure magnesia, and an account of certain calcareous impurities which he had detected in some parcels of the magnesia sold under the name of the late Mr. Glas, on subjecting it to calcination, has drawn upon him the severe animadversions of Dr. Glas, re-enforced with those of the present proprietor of that medicine; who, it seems, about two years ago, bought the secret of the original preparer, at the enormous price of 1500 pounds. In the first of these pamphlets, Dr. Glas undertakes to vindicate the purity of Glas's magnesia, with a view as he professes, though not in the most decent terms, 'to prevent the public from being deceived and imposed upon---and the proprietor from being injured in his reputation and property,' by Mr. Henry's '*false assertions*, and '*iliberall practices*.'---This passage is a specimen of the urbanity with which the examiner accosts Mr. Henry in the very first sentence of his performance! The '*falsity*' of Mr. Henry's assertions with respect to the calcareous impregnation alledged by him to have been communicated to water, by *some* parcels of Glas's calcined magnesia which he had examined, is here attempted to be shewn by some proofs of a negative kind, or by experiments made on *other* parcels of that medicine; the results of which are said to have been totally different from those given by Mr. Henry. They were made on part of the contents of *one* box of Glas's magnesia, prepared by the present proprietor *before* Mr. Henry's Strictures on it were published; and on twenty-one other specimens, which *may* have been prepared *since* the publication of Mr. Henry's critique: for the Author is not sufficiently explicit on this head, though it is a point of some consequence to his argument. We are only told that eleven of them were sent to him 'by the person who prepared them,' who 'warrants them to be all of different makings; and that the remaining ten 'were collected from the like number of persons, who bought *it* since Mr. Glas disposed of his process.' All these specimens are said to have been perfectly dissolved in water acidulated with oil of vitriol; and the author thence infers that no calcareous earth was contained in any one of them. In the second of these publications, Mr. Henry in proper and spirited manner defends his moral character, and the justice and accuracy of his experiments, against the imputations and animadversions of Dr. Glas. In the third, or the '*Refutation*,' the ponderosity of Mr. Henry's magnesia is shewn further

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further insisted upon, as a matter of reproach ; and the levity of the *Proprietor's* magnesia is held up, as being 'universally admitted to be the most *unquestionable* test of purity.'

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1270. SMITH'S NATURE STUDIED. Vide article 516.

We here find Dr. Smith grievously lamenting the fallacy of medical theory, and the '*uncertainty* of physic ;' declaring it to be 'an art which is not yet fixed upon the established principles of science,' and affirming that 'the human species would certainly enjoy a greater share of health, if there were fewer physicians, and less physic.' Towards the latter part of the volume, it appears that he has made a discovery of a particular composition, that will nearly supersede the use of all other medicines, and renders the apothecary's shop a useless nuisance. It is a powder, but what this curious powder is, the *wise* author has not thought proper to tell us. The phraseology is throughout loose, vulgar, and ungrammatical.

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1271. A SCRIPTURAL CONFUTATION of LINDSEY'S ARGUMENTS *against the* TRINITY. Vide article 938.

Among the numerous productions of this kind, which have passed through our hands, few have been more insignificant and futile. The work, beside the introduction, is divided into five chapters. The first chapter treats on the province of Reason, with respect to its inquiry into scripture truths, and it abounds with a most obscure and sophistical species of argument ; such as hath been often made use of to silence the dictates of common sense in the matter of transubstantiation, and which, indeed, would only be worthy of proceeding from a school of popery. In the second chapter, which treats of the nature of the evidence of our Saviour's Divinity afforded by the scripture, our Layman betrays no little ignorance of those sacred writings in the knowledge of which he seems so greatly to triumph. His reasons for Christ's not discovering himself to be God, during his residence on earth, appears to us wholly unsatisfactory. The third and principle chapter is employed in displaying the proofs of our Lord's Divinity arising from the scriptures, and is written somewhat in the manner of Mr. Jones of Pluckley. Nay, Mr. Jones, with his hundred texts, is unworthy of being compared with our author, whose arguments are as extraordinary as they are numerous. The purpose of the fourth chapter is to remove objections, and to state the evidence of the divinity of the Holy Ghost. The fifth and last chapter relates to the writer himself, and contains very pompous professions of his freedom from prejudice ; though he had before told us, that he thanked God and his pious parents, that he imbib'd the doctrine he now maintains with his nurse's milk ;

milk; at the same time in which he imbibed a belief that grass was green, that fire was hot, that snow was cold, and that two and two make four. In short, the work is very defective in composition, as well as in reasoning. The style is verbose, inaccurate, and sometimes obscure, and it has been a great drudgery to us to peruse so vague, declamatory, and injudicious a performance. *Monthly Review.*

1272. BINGHAM'S VINDICATION of the DOCTRINE and LITURGY of the CHURCH of ENGLAND. Vide articles 1052, 1222.

Though Mr. Bingham's Answer to Mr. Lindsey is much superior to the Layman's Scriptural Confutation, it does not alledge any thing but what has been advanced again and again; and which may be repeated for ever, without bringing the controversy to a decision. If, in any respect, our author appears to have some little advantage over Mr. Lindsey, it is in what is said concerning the opinions of the ancient fathers. Mr. Bingham is a scholar, and he writes like a man of integrity and piety. But he seems to have too warm and bigotted an attachment to the *whole* system of the Church of England.

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1273. *Reflections on* LINDSEY'S APOLOGY. Vide articles 1072, 1141.

We judge, from some incidental passages, that the present tract does not proceed from any zealous son of the Church of England; but that it comes from a dissenter, who is anxious for the apprehended purity of the faith, and desirous of preserving the orthodoxy of his flock. Whoever the author may be, he is an able disputant, and writes as a friend to religious liberty. We suppose, too, that he wishes to sustain the character of a man of moderation; and yet he sets out ill, by pecking at the title of Mr. Lindsey's book, in a way that betrays a captiousness and littleness of spirit. The same spirit is apparent in several other instances. What is here said, in vindication of the common doctrine of the trinity, we consider as by no means satisfactory; though some of the writer's particular remarks, in opposition to Mr. Lindsey, are far from being destitute of ingenuity and acuteness. *Monthly Review.*

1274. *The* PATRIOT. Vide article 1260.

He who wishes to see the various combining causes of this disgraceful revolution, brought into one collective point of view, will meet with the melancholy satisfaction which he requires, in the perusal of this little essay; which is ascribed to one of the first writers of the age, the author of the *Rambler*: the style, indeed, sufficiently speaks the pen. *Monthly Review.*

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Those who wish every voter on this general election to be influenced by the most laudable and disinterested motives, will probably regret that the sensible production now before us did not make its appearance at a more early period, when it might have been circulated over the nation, and proved the means of much public utility. Late as it is published, however, it may yet be productive of good effects, by teaching how to estimate the merit of political characters, and distinguish the signs of genuine patriotism from that which is spurious and affected. This little tract comprehends, either expressly or in allusion, a view of the most conspicuous public transactions of this country for some years. Through the whole, the author addresses himself to the understanding of his readers. The pictures which he has drawn both of real and pretended patriotism, are just and characteristic; and it would greatly conduce to the tranquillity of the nation, that the features were more generally known.

Critical Review.

Ex pede Herculem. Dr. Johnson's nervous expression, and manly, philosophical reflection, are conspicuous in every line of this temporary trifle, which merits the attention of every Englishman.

Westminster Mag.

The production of a famous court pensioner. The style is agreeable, and many of the author's sentiments are just.

London Mag.

1275. *An ESSAY upon the HARMONY of LANGUAGE.* Vide articles 1062, 1129.

Were we to give our suffrage to no publications but such as carry an obvious utility along with them, we should be uncourtly to the labours of many ingenious men. In the walks of science, as those in life, there are various avenues into which we turn only for amusement; where we find no other fruits than the complacency of a mind gratified by its own speculations, and possibly by the idea of inviting others to the same. In this class stands the essay now before us: for, though the author seems to have persuaded himself that his disquisitions may be useful; that the efficient causes of the harmony of our language and poetry may be analysed by rule, and a regular and systematic prosody be instituted, yet he has left us in still former possession of the opinion, with which we took up his book, that the *Arbitrium Auris*, must as it confessedly did with the ancients, for ever determine the harmony of modern writing. From the second to the tenth section inclusive, he treats of the efficient causes of harmony in human speech; of accent, quantity, and emphasis;—of English accents, of English vowel sounds, of English quantity;—Dr. Forster's observations on English prosody examined; his account of the particular nature of the acute accent;—of the effects of accent and emphasis

sis upon quantity in English pronunciation :—of the efficient of English poetical harmony, of Scottish pronunciation ;—of the accentuation of English heroic verse ;—of the metre of English heroic verse ;—of the pause and cesure in English heroic verse, of monosyllables, examples of some general and particular results from the different efficient of English poetical harmony ;—of the origin and progress of English versification. In the eleventh section we find some just observations on the comparative merits of rhyme and blank verse ; the twelfth treats of the harmony of the Greek and Latin languages ; and the last contains observations on the connexion of poetry with music. The work concludes with a genteel apology, which, if it shews that the author's opinion of its importance, be somewhat too high, discovers at the same time a becoming modesty and liberality of sentiment.

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1276. IVES'S REMARKS upon the GARIANONUM of the ROMANS. Vide article 912.

Ingenious : and the author writes in a more lively and animated style than is usually met with among professed antiquaries.

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1277. The SENTIMENTAL EXHIBITION. Vide article 933.

This writer, though far from being original, makes some good observations on life and manners, and is one of the most tolerable imitators, for sometimes he affects the imitation, of Sterne.

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Lively, shrewd and sensible.

Westminster Mag.

1278. VAN STÆLIN'S ACCOUNT of the NEW NORTHERN ARCHIPELAGO. Vide article 897.

This Archipelago of islands discovered by the Russians, in 1765 and 1766, in the seas of Kamtschatka and Anadir, lies between the 56th and 67th degrees of north latitude. There is a neat and seemingly accurate chart of them prefixed to the narrative ; and the whole is properly introduced by the ingenious Dr. Maty, of the British Museum, in a well written preface. To the description of these islands, and of their inhabitants, is added, a narrative of the adventures of four Russian sailors, who were cast away on the desert island of East-Spitbergen ; together with some observations on the production of that island, &c. By Mr. L. P. Le Roy, Professor of History, and Member of the Imperial Academy of Sciences at St. Petersburg. This narrative appears also to be satisfactorily authenticated, and is said to be translated from the German original, at the desire of several Members of the Royal Society.

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London Mag.

Interesting.

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1279. *A SKETCH of MATERIALS for a HISTORY of CHESHIRE.*
The second Edition. Vide article 653.

The ingenious Author of this Sketch (Dr. Gower) has here given, beside his well-written preface, above-mentioned, an account of such new materials for his intended history as he hath been favoured with, since the publication of the first edition of his sketch, published in 1771. These additional materials are both ample and important; and there now seems to be no doubt but that the work will meet with every kind of encouragement, notwithstanding the prodigious labour and expence with which it will be necessarily attended.

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1280. ROBINSON'S GENTLEMAN and BUILDER'S DIRECTOR.
 Vide articles 1068, 1151.

The formal precision in our Acts of Parliament is not readily intelligible to common workmen, when dictated to under a variety of circumstances; digests therefore of such acts must be of great use to them, if clearly and correctly made: but Mr. R. does not appear to have yet arrived at the literary expertness necessary even for such an undertaking. Add to this, that though law language is not always the most correct either in style or grammar, yet the writer of a familiar manual of this nature, being released from the jargon of the courts, might have expressed himself much clearer and better in many respects than Mr. R. has done: if he has any more of these schemes in agitation, we would recommend *Mr. Scott's Digest of the Highway Act* to his perusal; and a good old home-spun proverb to his consideration, which says, *the more haste the worse speed.*

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1281. TEMPLE'S ESSAY on the CLERGY. Vide articles 632, 746.

This essay is divided into twelve chapters, the first of which contains a very short and superficial abstract of the history of religion; in the second, the author points out some of the benefits derived to mankind from revelation; in the third, he shews the utility of the sacerdotal character; in the fourth, which contains two pages only, he tells us, that among the Jews, lameness and deformity excluded from the priesthood; that in Egypt and India, none but particular persons and families officiated in holy things; that among the Greeks and Romans the care of religion was committed to the noblest houses, and principal persons and magistrates of the state, &c.---A more diligent attention to some of these circumstances might be of

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some efficacy, he thinks, in reviving the declining influence of the clergy, and consequently of piety and morality. The fifth chapter contains a plan for the studies of the clergy. In the remaining chapters of his Essay, Mr. Temple treats of the style of the pulpit, the decline of the influence of the clergy, the progress of infidelity, non-residence, the external appearance, and recreations of the clergy, &c. and concludes with some reflections upon tests, or subscription to articles in matters of religion: but what he says upon this subject is weak and trifling.
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1282. FOLLY; *a Satire.* Vide *articles* 1059, 1135.

This author, though careless, is superior to the common tribe of rhymers.
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1283. BLACKLOCK'S GRAHAM. Vide *articles* 934, 1007.

The professed intention of this poem is to cherish and encourage a mutual harmony between the inhabitants of South and North Britain. To this end Dr. Blacklock has exhibited in strong colours, some part of those miseries which their ancient animosities had occasioned. His GRAHAM is an affecting story, in which love and jealousy have a principle share; but when he tells us, previously, that this story is a fiction, by a compliment to our humanity, he robs himself of a leading interest in our attention.
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Under disadvantages which seem insurmountable to nature, Dr. Blacklock has eminently distinguished himself. Though blind from his infancy, the impulse of curiosity and the vigorous exertion of his talents have conducted him to uncommon knowledge. There is no science with which he is not acquainted; he is familiar with the learned languages, and he knows with accuracy those of modern Europe that are the most cultivated. Among philosophers he has obtained a conspicuous rank by his book on *Consolations*; and as a poet, he will ever be celebrated for what could least have been expected from him, the liveliness of imagery, and the splendor of description. In the present performance, his usual merit have not forsaken him; and it will be allowed that he treads on very difficult ground. The heroic ballad demands the nicest execution and the most artful management. The simplicity that suits it is even unattainable by genius, without that chastised taste which seldom appears in Poets of the highest class. It admits of magnificence of ideas, and of the sublime; but should be careful not to deviate from nature. The marvellous air, and the supernatural actors which figure and please in the grandeur of the Epic, would here be extravagant and disproportioned. The
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incidents should be striking, the situations important, and tending to forward the action; the design without perplexity; the parts in proper relation to it, and to each other, and the sentiments delicate and noble. It is with the most sincere pleasure that we pronounce this poem conformable to these requisites; and we cannot but highly admire the mixture it exhibits of genius and of art. The author judiciously avoids that minuteness which anticipates every reflection of the reader and supports attention, without an affectation of brilliancy, and without wandering from his purpose, like an ordinary artist, in search of flowers and embellishments. His narration is animated and agreeable; his fable is beautifully fancied and sufficiently perspicuous; his characters are boldly marked; the manners he paints suits the times to which he refers; his moral is momentous; his versification is harmonious; and in fine we perceive, scattering through the whole piece, those secret graces, and those bewitching beauties which the critic would in vain attempt to describe.

Edinburgh Review.

A well meant attempt executed with fancy and poetry, to produce a cordial union between the inhabitants of North and South Britain.

Westminster Mag.

The poetry may be said to be about *par*; and the moral is good; but he is exceedingly partial to his own country.

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1284. LLOYD'S POETICAL WORKS. Vide article 1047.

The poems of the late very ingenious, but very unhappy Mr. Lloyd are here elegantly reprinted, with considerable additions from the *St. James's Magazine*, a periodical work in which that writer was concerned; and which soon discontinued, for want of encouragement: though far superior to most other publications of that kind. Dr. Kenrick, the present editor, has prefixed a well-written life of the author; in which he justly reproaches the public, for the unaccountable neglect that Mr. Lloyd's poems have met with, from the time of his decease, while applause hath been lavishly bestowed on very inferior writers.

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1285. ENGLAND'S TEARS: a Poem. Vide article 1252.

This maudlin muse blubbers most woefully about the degeneracy of Britannia's sons.—We heartily wish this writer had been *better advised*, ere he printed these confounded caterwauling verses!

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We meet here with nearly the same sentiments respecting the critical situation of civil and religious liberty in this island, and the patriotism necessary to be exerted at the general election,

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as have already been urged in the *Address to Protestant Dissenters*,
Vide article 1220.

1286. *The RESURRECTION of LIBERTY*: a Poem. Vide
article 1253. *Critical Review*.

This author, too, should have been *better advised*: see the
preceding article. Both the Ghost of Churchill, and the Tear
Merchant plead their *juvenility* in extenuation of the imperfec-
tions that may be found in their pieces:—What concern have
the Public with the age of a bad writer? *Monthly Review*.

1287. *HEBE*, an Heroic Poem. Vide article 1256.

This Heroic Poem, as it is called, is happily conceived in
the truly elevated style, though not the measure, of the loyal
old ballad, which thus sublimely begins:

“Britons rejoice! Prince Frederic is come,

“The glory of Old England, King George’s eldest son!”
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1288. *The MYSTIC MIRACLE*. Vide articles 1050, 1138.

Mystic nonsense, about Mr. Lindsey, and the wickedness of
church-innovations, and the story of Jonah and the whale.

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1289. *TRAPAUD’S AGLAURA*. Vide articles 1037, 1133.

This affecting Tale is miserably spoiled by a spiritless trans-
fusion into blank verse.

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1290. *MODEST EXCEPTIONS from the COURT of PARNASSUS*
&c. Vide articles 901, 1139.

No character can be given, where no meaning is expressed.
It is all---nothing,---except a few faint efforts at dirt-
flinging.

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On reading the *Modest Exceptions*, we could not help think-
ing of the writer, as one,

“Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans every thing.”

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1291. *MIRTH*, a Poem. Vide articles 511, 735.

There is considerable merit in the title-page of this poem,
which is neatly engraved, with elegant emblematical figures
in the trophy, festoon, and vignette forms. But is this then
nothing more than—

————— a pompous sign,
T’invite dull fots to wretched wine?

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We shall not pass so severe a sentence upon the *Gentleman's* poem; but this we must say, that the *aptos numeros atque modos dicendi*, he has unfortunately neglected. *Fantastic mirth* requires a measure very different from the solemn and formal march of blank heroics, which, however, is well enough adapted to the *Pleasures of Melancholy*. It is not very material to inquire into the merits of a misapplied versification.

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1292. WHITEHEAD'S PLAYS and POEMS. Vide articles 366, 449.

The well-established reputation of Mr. Whitehead as a poet, renders any disquisitions on that subject unnecessary here. Most of those poems which the public has been in possession of, with a few select birth-day odes, and some new pieces, are to be found in these volumes. Among the latter, if we mistake not, are several very agreeable specimens of that easy elegance and sensibility which distinguish Mr. Whitehead's muse. N. B. The first edition of Mr. W.'s poems was published in 1754, in one vol. 8vo.

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1293. PARSON'S ASTRONOMIC DOUBTS. Vide article 753.

A sceptic in astronomy, unacquainted with the first principles of the science.

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1294. An ADDRESS to the FREEHOLDERS of the COUNTY of CUMBERLAND. Vide article 777.

Mere compilation, and very crudely done; good matter has suffered by passing through slovenly hands: so slovenly indeed, that we are told the method of voting among the Romans, was either by centuries, or by bribes: and lest this should pass as a mere typographical error, it is added that *the method by bribes*, was gradually introduced by the tribunes of the people! With similar accuracy we are informed, among the qualifications of persons to be members of the House of Commons, 'that they must be aliens born or minors!' Our Cumberland freeholder would do well to mind what freehold he may have, as it is not very probable he will ever raise a copyhold by his pen. *Monthly Review.*

1295 A COLLECTION of RULES and STANDING ORDERS of the HOUSE of COMMONS, &c. Vide article 781.

As such a collection as this is very easily made, when the last regulations, which revive the consideration of the former, are recent, it may be presumed to be correct; though an order

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of the House for the publication, does not appear to authenticate it.

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1296. VOX POPULI. Vide *article* 1251.

A great deal of good, patriotic advice is here, we are afraid, thrown away, on the freeholders, &c. of this kingdom. If such publications are considered as pearls, we need not say *what those are* before whom they are so unprofitably cast.

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These hints consist of twenty in number, each of which is accompanied with a comment. That our readers may be enabled to form a judgment of their importance, we shall specify a few of them. The first is, 'A very extraordinary earnestness to be chosen, is no good sign in a candidate. 2. Letters of recommendation should by no means have any effect upon elections. 3. Non-attendance in former parliaments should always be a bar against the choice of men who have been guilty of such shameful and scandalous behaviour.' To this choice collection of hints, is added nearly the same number of political rules, addressed to his majesty, and distinguished by the same *sagacity* as the former. *Critical Review.*

1297. BOLINGBROKE'S FREEHOLDER'S POLITICAL CATECHISM. Vide *a title* 1168.

Reprinted from Bolingbroke's tracts. It contains not only the duty of voters, but gives a concise view of the political constitution of this country; of which our common people are, in general, very ignorant. This tract, therefore, ought to be largely circulated among our freeholders, &c. And with this view the Editor has given a *N. B.* at the bottom of the title-page, specifying the considerable allowances which are to be made to those who are disposed to promote the circulation.

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1298. INSTANT RELIEF to the ASTHMATIC, &c. Vide *article* 234.

It is enough to set a poor asthmatic, of an irritable fibre, wheezing, merely to read that the *nostrum* here recommended to be sucked into his lungs, is a volatile acid salt, extracted from 'a combination of the strongest acids;' did not the learned writer seasonably come to his relief, and give him time to take breath again, by assuring him that the 'overacting' power of this volatile, ætherial, antiseptic, acid salt is properly dulcified according to the rules of art. We should beg his pardon, indeed, for treating him as a *nostrum monger*. His medicine,

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dicine, he declares, 'cannot be called a quack nostrum,—as he honestly tells the world his process.' This process however is not here divulged, but we are told that it is 'one of the most tedious, difficult, and expensive in chymistry,' and that 'indeed very few chymists can go through it all. But passing over this small oversight—the reader may have the medicine itself, at certain places named in the last page, in bottles of 5s. 3d. half a guinea, and a guinea each. The author prefers and recommends our purchasing the guinea bottle; for, saith he,—Bless his benevolent heart!--the choice is of no consequence to him---'the larger the bottle, the stronger the æther, and more efficacious its effects.'---Considerate creature!

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1299. *The* EARL of DOUGLAS. Vide article 285.

The talents of the celebrated Countess D'Anois, for this species of composition, are universally known. Her romances, though wild and improbable, like the rest of those marvellous details that were fashionable in her days (in which the spirit of chivalry was not quite evaporated) abounded with that sort of invention which never fails to interest and captivate the reader. We had a former translation of this story, printed in 1741, under the title of, *The History of Hippolitus, Earl of Douglas*, but that was a wretched piece of work. The present translation is much more just to the fame of the ingenious and romantic Frenchwoman.

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1300. MEMOIRS of an unfortunate LADY of QUALITY. 12mo. 3 Vols. 7s. 6d. sewed. Snagg. 1774.

A romance founded, chiefly, on the story of Lady Jane Douglas, sister to the late Duke of Douglas. It is a poor performance, affording little of sentiment, and less of character; and yet the author, (or pretended editor) has the assurance to style it 'an entertaining work, not unworthy a place on the shelf with the productions of a Fielding, a Smollett, or a Goldsmith.' Thus a draggle-tail'd nymph, from Billingsgate, cries about the streets "Sprats as big as herrings, ho!"---but then she is not so silly as to imagine that any body believes her.

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1301. HELVETIUS'S CHILD of NATURE IMPROVED by CHANCE. Vide article 1040.

We were not acquainted with the imposture of this title-page (the book will not impose on any body) till it had wrought all the effect it is likely to have. Those who have read this philosophical

lofophical novel, as it is called, need not be told that it was not written by the late celebrated Helvetius. It is now fup-
 pofed to have been the work of a noted writer lately deceased;
 and who feems to have formed an artful fcheme not only to im-
 pofe on the public, but to *take in* even the bookseller. It con-
 fifts of characters not well drawn, and very improperly placed;
 and the morality and language of it is probably *defigned* to in-
 jure the principles and manners of the public. *Monthly Review.*

If it be commendable to hold forth to the fair fex, as warn-
 ings againft indifcretion, the errors of others, the writer of this
 work certainly merits praife. The knowledge which may be
 acquired from a perufal of it is fuch, as every young, at leaft
 every handsome woman, ought to poffefs, and fuch as many
 acquire by fatal experience. It muft, indeed, be confefled,
 that the pictures are drawn with a luxurious fancy, and pru-
 dery, it is probable, will condemn them; but they are too well
 intended to be neglected on that account. *Critical Review.*

An execrable effufion of impiety and turpitude. Mr. Hel-
 vetius had formerly exhibited a fpecimen of his fapience, which
 reflected little honour on his underftanding. The fame absurd
 and naufeous dofe is now ftript of its didactic form, re-cooked
 and fent up to us in the form of a philofophical novel. As
 the author has attempted to produce revolutions in our manners,
 the tranflator has, with no lefs felicity, endeavoured to effectuate
 revolutions in our language. This French-English Jargon
 puts one in mind of a beggar's coat, which is fo wretchedly
 and injudiciously patched, that we can neither afcertain its
 cloth nor its colour. Though both deserve infamy, we hope
 they will only be punifhed by oblivion, or remembered by
 prostitutes. *Edinburgh Review.*

We wifh this novel had not been honoured with an English
 tranflation. The philofophers *Child of Nature*, though fenfi-
 ble, is very corrupt, and wants to promote French gallantry in
 every nation, inftead of old English virtue: even her philofo-
 phical fentiments are often oppofite both to the laws of modetty
 and marriage, not to fay, to the divine law. In brief, we
 cannot help confidering this performance, but as an apology for
 young and married women's deviation from delicacy and virtue
 and think it unworthy of the philofopher Helvetius.

London Mag.

1332. GENUINE ARGUMENTS *in the Caufe of* JAMES, CLARKE,
 MACKLIN, &c. Vide article 1048.

This publication relates to the famous riots which happened at

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at Covent Garden theatre, last winter, in consequence of Macklin's attempting the character of Macbeth.

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1303. *The PETITIONS of MR. BOLLAN.* Vide article 1155.

This publication will naturally excite in the mind of the philosophic reader, uninfluenced by the little fluctuating unsystematic politics of the times, reflections similar to that of Lord Clarendon (here quoted, by way of motto), viz. "Men pay too dear for their want of providence, and find too late that the neglect of justice infallibly, though undiscerned, undermines that security which their policy would raise in the place of what wisdom and justice had provided for them." *Survey of the LEVIATHAN.*

Monthly Review.

1304. *An APPEAL to REASON.* Vide articles 1061, 1223.

This treatise chiefly consists of a *summary* of the nature, evidence, contents, and history of natural and revealed religion, delivered in plain, unadorned language, and without any novelty of sentiment. In the latter part of the performance, some strictures are made upon the dissenters, and the conduct of the establishment is vindicated, in requiring subscriptions of its ministers. Whether the author be always right in his opinions, and whether he does not sometimes fail in precision of ideas, may, we think, be justly questioned. But one thing is certain, that he is never defective in candour and moderation. He evidently appears to be a man of unaffected piety, of real benevolence, and enlarged charity. His sentiments on the whole, are judicious and liberal; and he is a friend to some farther reformation in the Church of England. *Monthly Review.*

Sensible but trite.

Westminster Mag.

1305. *GERARD'S ESSAY on GENIUS.* Vide article, 1060.

The subject of the present essay has hitherto been but slightly and casually mentioned by such writers as have treated of the science of human nature, and it has been left to the ingenious author of a former production (*an Essay on Taste*) to trace this inspiring principle of the soul through its most secret mazes, by the force of discernment and reflection. Dr. Gerard has reduced the various and eccentric operations of genius to a regular system, and investigated the œconomy of the *natale comes* with a degree of precision almost equal to what can be displayed in subjects the most obvious to enquiry. He has prosecuted his curious enquiry with so much precision, and compass of thought, such clear reasoning, and such apt illustration, as might fully evince

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his own title to the quality of which he treats, had not his right been already acknowledged by the literary world.

Critical Review.

In this treatise the author lays claim to nothing of that original genius, and to none of those brilliant discoveries which distinguish the writings of an Aristotle, a Locke, and a Hume. He pursues a less splendid and more humble career, and following closely in the track of his predecessors, in the metaphysical walk, endeavours so to combine and illustrate their observations, as to establish his own particular doctrine concerning the nature of genius; which he defines to be a comprehensive, regular, and active imagination, that can never attain perfection, or exert itself successfully on any subject, except it be united with a sound and piercing judgment. In some instances he lays down his observations in too general terms, and is obliged to modify and restrict them in other parts of his work. It is to be wished too, that he had all along been more practical in his illustrations. But, as a philosopher, let it be acknowledged, that he has considerable merit. His views may suggest many useful hints; and he is, in general, entitled to the praise of acuteness and patience in thinking.

Edinburgh Mag.

1306. HUNTER'S DISCOURSES. Vide *article* 759.

These discourses are superior to the ordinary class of sermons. They are not merely compositions of a pious tendency, designed for common use, but are fraught with arguments and reflections, which will afford amusement and instruction to the most intelligent reader. The author has considered the subjects he treats of with great attention, and has generally expressed himself in clear and nervous language. We bear testimony to the learning and ingenuity of this writer with particular pleasure, as we are informed, that he is a gentleman of respectable character; that he has been afflicted many years with blindness; that under this affliction he has employed himself in educating pupils; and that this publication is intended to assist him in the first and most indispensable office of charity and benevolence, the support of his family. A *critical* reader may probably observe, in some parts of these volumes, a want of method, connection, and proportion, and some few repetitions; but a *candid* one will ascribe these imperfections to the author's inability to review his pieces, and will be more ready to admire his excellencies, than censure his defects.

Critical Review.

1307. A FATHER'S LEGACY to his DAUGHTERS. Vide *articles* 378, 528.

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This treatise was written by Dr. Gregory, when he was in a declining state of health, and death had deprived his daughters of their mother. On this occasion, he was inspired with the most tender solicitude for their future welfare. Paternal love, paternal care, spoke their genuine sentiments without disguise or restraint. A father's zeal for the improvement of his daughters in whatever might make them amiable, with a father's quick apprehension of the dangers, which too often arise even from the attainment of that very point, alarmed every faculty, and rendered him attentive to a thousand little graces and decors, which would have escaped the nicest moralist, who had undertaken the subject on uninterested speculation. The public is indebted to this writer for an ingenious tract, intitled, *A Comparative View of the State of Man and other Animals. An Essay on the Office and Duties of a Physician, &c.* which have met with general approbation. *Critical Review.*

1308. ENTICK'S PRESENT STATE of the BRITISH EMPIRE.
Vide article 468.

If every signal industry and labour in the services of the public, merited approbation, the work now before us is certainly entitled to the most favourable reception. Such an immense mass of materials is collected into these volumes; that the title-page, however explicit, conveys a very inadequate idea of the multiplicity of subjects they contain. An account of the whole British constitution, civil and ecclesiastical, the origin and various divisions of our laws, the antiquity and jurisdiction of every tribunal, from the parliament down to the most inferior court in the nation, are here fully exhibited to the view. The various branches of our manufactures, commerce, and public revenue, are copiously and perspicuously developed. The naval and military departments are distinctly delineated, the origin and privileges of the several honorary institutions related, and a description of the various parts of Great Britain and her dominions, the minutest and most circumstantial we have ever seen, is here presented to our observation. In short, several pages would prove insufficient for giving a full idea of the multiplicity of articles comprehended in these four volumes. The first volume of this work in particular contains much useful information; and the other three present us with so minute an account of Great Britain and her dominions, as cannot fail to gratify the curiosity of the most inquisitive reader on that subject. Should the profit arising from this publication bear a just proportion to the pains and expence with which it must have been executed, we need not hesitate to affirm, that it would prove one of the most lucrative productions of late years. *Critical Review.*

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This work is a valuable addition to our typographical histories, and does honour to the author, editor, and artists concerned it.

Valuable and interesting.

Gentleman's Mag.
Westminst. Mag.

1309. *The HISTORY of ARSACES.* Vide article

Ficta, voluptatis causa, sint proxima veris. is the motto to this work ; but we do not think it very applicable, as several of the adventures related, are far from being consistent with probability. If, however, they be on that account the less pleasing, instruction (which is the principal end aimed at) may still be conveyed by them. The work consists of lessons of morality taught by examples. Our author conducts his hero into several parts of the world, who by that means with instructors. In short, there is great knowledge of mankind displayed in this work, which therefore does not derogate from the reputation its author acquired by *The Adventures of a Guinea*.

Critical Review.

A political romance, but moral, instructive and entertaining.

Westminst. Mag.

A constitutional, patriotic novel, abounding with good sense and political wisdom, and excellent lessons for princes, ministers of state, members of the legislature, East-India nabobs and their plunderers. Instruction teaches the mind the use of its own powers, and points out the direct path to knowledge, but there its purpose ends : to acquire that knowledge, the man must prove the truth of precept by practice—and our author hath, in a perspicuous manner, introduced a variety of incidents, founded on experience, and curious facts in his hero's life,

Lond. Magazine.

1310. MORDECAI'S APOLOGY for embracing christianity. Letters V. VI. and VII. Vide article 1185.

The publication now before us completes the author's design ; which was to shew, that christianity is a revelation consistent with the Old Testament, the attributes of God, and the nature of man ; or, in other words, a plain, regular, and consistent plan of divine œconomy, from the beginning to the end of the world, carried on by the ministration of the angel of the covenant, who led the Israelites through the wilderness. In this work he has shewn great learning, acuteness, and judgment. He has accurately examined the various opinions among Christians, concerning the nature and person of Jesus Christ ; and very ably supported an hypothesis, which seems to be the most

most probable of any that has been proposed. He has given us a rational idea of the fall, of predestination, election, imputed righteousness, atonement, salvation by faith, and many other points, on which the generality of theological writers have advanced some of the grossest absurdities. *Critical Review.*

1311. *The LADY'S TRAVELS into SPAIN; or, a Genuine Relation of the Religion, Laws, Commerce, Customs, and Manners of that Country, written by the Countess of DANOIS, in a Series of Letters to a Friend at Paris. 2 Vols. 12mo. 6s. bound. Davies.*

An English translation of these travels was first published in this country upwards of seventy years ago, under the auspices of Sir Richard Steele. The novelty and merit of the work required the aid of no eminent name to procure it a favourable reception: the lively and entertaining manner in which the letters were originally written, and the faithful representation they contained of a people the least known of almost any nation in Europe, were sufficient to render the Countess of Danois' production an object of general regard. The alteration which Spain has suffered since that time in its manners and customs, and the advancement of our knowledge concerning them, are so inconsiderable, that these letters may still be considered as a just and useful delineation of the general state of that kingdom. We may observe of the Countess of Danois' letters in general, that they are written with no less candour and justness of sentiment, than with fidelity and an experimental knowledge of the Spanish manners and customs. She improved to the best advantage the opportunities she enjoyed of gratifying her curiosity, from her rank, her connections, and her residence in that country for some years; and to the authentic information she has added the embellishment of sprightly and agreeable narrative. This edition of the work is greatly improved in the language, as well as by an accession of fresh materials; and as the first edition was dedicated to a person eminent for wit and genius, the present is introduced to the world under the auspices of Mr. Foote, in a short, but elegant address. *Critical Review.*

1312. VOLTAIRE'S WHITE BULL. Vide articles 939, 1027.

1313. VOLTAIRE'S *le TAUREAU BLANC*. From the French. Vide article 797.

The metamorphosis of Nebuchadnezzar has furnished Voltaire, or the author, whoever he is, with the basis of the present work, and with an opportunity of placing in a ridiculous light sundry matters highly revered by many sober Christians.

tians. The first of the translations before us neither servilely copies the phrase of the original, nor, however free, too far deviates from the sense of it. The notes are pertinent and satirical, and, as well as the preface, show the translator to be a man after the author's *own* heart. The second (*Le Taureau Blanc*) is not of equal merit. *Critical Review.*

One more proof of the old man's constancy in infidelity. A weak, though impious attack of revelation, particularly levelled at the Old Testament history and some of the prophets.

London Magaz.

1314. *A DESCRIPTION of the Cathedral CHURCH of SALISBURY.* Vide *article 1153.*

To those who are desirous of knowing the ancient and present state of the places and edifices here described, and to architects in particular, this work will undoubtedly prove acceptable. It contains a variety of materials, and the great number of plates, with which it is embellished, are well executed.

Critical Review.

This performance is curious, and rendered valuable by its connection with the external and domestic history of the kingdom. The authors have displayed great reading and much industry: they have diligently collected, from cabinets public and private materials, to enrich and elucidate their subjects. The lovers of antiquities will find great entertainment; and *anecdote and epitaph* collectors, have here a valuable good fund.

London Magaz.

1315. *SERMONS chiefly upon RELIGIOUS HYPOCRISY.* Vide *article 924.*

The design of the author in these discourses is laudable. It is to point out the difference between hypocrisy and religion, and to expose the former, wherever it appears in the robes of piety. There is a freedom of sentiment in these discourses, which, the author (Mr. D. Williams, author of a *TREATISE on EDUCATION. Article 1262.*) informs us, has brought upon him the imputation of infidelity. His accusers, we suppose, have been men of narrow minds, or ignorant old women, to whose taste and apprehensions many of his observations are certainly not adapted. Persons of superior discernment may read these two volumes with pleasure and advantage. *Critical Review.*

1316. *JACOB'S HISTORY of FAVERSHAM.* Vide *article 1170.*

This account of Faversham appears to have been undertaken with every advantage on the side of the author, which could be requisite

requisite to render the execution of it complete. With a strong inclination to the study of antiquities, Mr. Jacob has not only carefully consulted the works of those who have written on this subject before him, but he has likewise been favoured with many communications supported by the best authority. We may therefore consider the facts he relates as perfectly authentic.

Critical Review.

1317. *A WALK IN and ABOUT the CITY of CANTERBURY, with many observations not to be found in any descriptions hitherto published.* By WILLIAM GOSTLING, M. A. 8vo. 3s. boards. Baldwin.

This like the preceeding article, contains some subjects of too uninteresting a nature. Instead of a walk, had Mr. Gostling favoured us with an account of what is worthy of observation, within the compass of a moderate ride round Canterbury, his readers must have received much more entertainment; however he describes a multiplicity of objects, and the volume may prove an useful guide to those who visit Canterbury and its environs

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Mr. Somner, supposes himself, if we mistake not, in *his walk* among the tombs, cloysters, &c. of this once famous monastery, by one of its old monks revived for that purpose. What he imagined is here, in some degree, realized, for we will venture to say, that no one of that venerable order could have been a more intelligent compauion, or *Ciceroni*, then the modern divine who here takes us by the hand, and from the storehouse of his memory and observations, *brings forth things new and old*, antiquities, descriptions and anecdotes. We recommend it to all travellers and antiquities: it being a very curious and entertaining walk. It has an appendix containing a tour through east Kent. The work is embellished with an elegant engraving of Christ-Church gate, and a new and correct plan of the city, in which are introduced the old church of St. Andrew, Archbishop Abbot's Conduit, and a north view of St. Augustine's monastery.

Gentleman's Mag.

1318. *CONSIDERATIONS on the MEASURES CARRYING ON with RESPECT to the BRITISH COLONIES in NORTH AMERICA.* Vide articles 658, 676.

When an author writes with temper and candid reasoning on a subject generally so warmly agitated as our present dispute with America, he is entitled to particular attention; and such we ingenuously acknowledge, is the character of these considerations. As it would be tedious to mention the various arguments

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guments which are here either refuted or enforced, we shall only observe, that the important controversy in question is argued in the clearest and most impartial manner; that no circumstance is omitted which ought to affect the determination of this grand political subject; and that the production highly merits the perusal of every member of the British legislature.

Critical Review.

1319. *The POPULAR CONCERN in the CHOICE of REPRESENTATIVES. A SERMON delivered at the Meeting-House near the Maze-Pond, Southwark; and likewise in the Evening at Monkwell-Street-Lecture, on the Lord's-Day, October 9, 1774, By BENJAMIN WALLIN, A. M. 8vo. 6d. Buckland.*

The text is this passage in the first chapter of Isaiah: "I will restore thy judges as at the first," &c. In discoursing on this subject the author shews us, that civil magistrates and counsellors are essential to the existence of a people; that in the beginning of a state her great men are, for the most part, wise and good; that the counsellors of a nation may in time be corrupt, and prove unjust and cruel; that the opportunity of the wicked to ascend into power, must be owing to the degeneracy of the populace; that while evil counsellors have the sway, a sinful nation or city cannot recover its purity and character; that a restoration of discreet, faithful judges and senators is alone from the most high; and that this blessing is not to be expected, till, by some means, a national repentance and reformation are procured. In the conclusion he briefly points out the duty of a people, who have, or think they have, cause to complain of any measures taken by their senators.—A pious, well-intended discourse.

Critical Review.

1320. BISHOP SHIPLEY'S SERMON. Vide article 343.

This discourse was published in 1773; but our review of it was at that time accidentally omitted. At present a long account of it may be thought superfluous: we shall therefore only express our concurrence with the approbation of the public, by observing, that it contains many excellent reflections on the civil and religious state of our American Colonies, calculated to promote unanimity and concord between them and the mother country.

Critical Review.

1321. MORELL'S SERMON, at Lady Moyer's Lecture. Vide articles 1163, 1209.

The learned preacher of Lady Moyer's Lecture had no occasion to inform us, that he was *very busy* upon another work, when he composed this discourse: it is, in every sense of the word, a *hasty* composition.

Critical Review.

1322. HANWAY'S

1322. HANWAY'S VIRTUE *in* HUMBLE LIFE. Vide *articles* 641, 1080.

The first volume consists of twenty dialogues, On the Design of Religion, On Prayer, On Keeping the Sabbath, On the Celebration of the Lord's Supper, on a Country Life, On Superstition, On the Methodists, On Death and Immortality, On the Death of several Persons of different Characters, On the various Duties of Servants, On the Dissipation and Amusements of the Town, and an infinite Variety of other important Subjects. The Second Volume consists of Fourteen Dialogues on similar topics; with a Manual of Devotion, containing Prayers on several Occasions, Hymns, and Extracts from the Scriptures. The whole forms a system of morality and religion, adapted to the capacities of ordinary readers. If any one should object to the size of these volumes, the author replies, 'that he intended this book to be as a library to those, who possess but few other books.' In these dialogues, there is that unaffected simplicity, that sober piety, that candour and philanthropy, which distinguish most of the former productions of this benevolent writer.

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1323. *A new MUSICAL INTERLUDE, called the ELECTION, as it is performed at the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, 8vo. 6d. Griffin. Catherine-street, Strand.*

As this is acknowledged to be a hasty production, and is founded on a subject of a temporary nature, it may be entitled to particular indulgence. If it cannot afford much entertainment, the author has at least represented the conduct of an English voter in a favourable light.

Critical Review.

1324. SHEBBEARE'S ANSWER *to* QUERIES. Vide *article* 1259.

This pamphlet is founded upon a subject of a private and personal nature, but being written with that warmth and vivacity for which the author is distinguished, we may venture to affirm, that it will be read with pleasure by those who are wholly uninterested in the dispute. Dr. Shebbeare repels the accusations of his antagonists with argument, pleasantry, and keen sarcasm. He declares that he will never more pay any regard to what is written against him; but will prosecute those who are concerned in illegally traducing his character before the public, in the courts of judicature.

Critical Review.

1325. ROWLEY'S LETTER *to* DR. HUNTER. Vide *article* 1248.

The author expostulates with Dr. Hunter, in a severe, but

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we cannot say indecent manner, for preventing his being employed in the case of the late Lady Holland. *Critical Review.*

1326. *The PRESENT TRUTH.* Vide *article 1030.*

The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, in May 1731, had an overture before them, 'concerning the method of planting vacant churches : ' a kind of supplement to the law of patronage ; being proposed as a rule for the settlement of congregations, where patrons should neglect, or be pleased to wave the exercise of their right. According to this overture, ministers were not to be chosen by congregations ; but were to be imposed upon them by the majority in a conjunct meeting of heritors and elders ; and all heritors were to be admitted as voters in that meeting, under the simple qualification of being Protestants. This overture the Assembly transmitted to the several presbyteries, that they might return their opinion to the next Assembly, whether it should be a standing act ; and they enjoined the presbyteries to observe it in the mean time. At the next Assembly in May 1732, several remonstrances were made against the aforesaid overture. But the Assembly refused to hear these representations, and turned the overture into a standing act ; refusing to restrict the vote of heritors to such as had a residence within the parish, or to such as were of the communion of the church of Scotland ; refusing also to take any notice, in their records, first of a *dissent* from this act, and then of a *protest* against it, by several ministers and elders, members of the assembly. These proceedings occasioned a succession of those ministers, who, among other complaints, alledged, that the prevailing party in the established church were breaking down their beautiful presbyterian constitution ; that they were pursuing such measures, as did actually corrupt, or had the most direct tendency to corrupt the doctrine contained in their excellent confession of faith ; that sinful and unwarrantable terms of ministerial communion were imposed, &c. The volumes now before us contain a collection of representations, testimonies, acts, declarations, &c. published by the Seceders upon that occasion. *Critical Review.*

1327. *LETTERS containing a Plan of Education for Rural Academies.* 8vo. 2s. sewed. *Murray.*

In these letters the author delivers his thoughts concerning a proper plan of education for young gentlemen, from the seventh to the seventeenth or eighteenth year of their age ; concerning female education, and parochial schools.---He is an advocate for rural academies ; because he thinks, ' that what-
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ever is essential to the character of a good man and a good citizen, may be taught in the country, without exposing the youth to manifold dangers, inseparable from a city education. There is good sense, but nothing remarkably striking in this work. It seems to be the production of some ingenious writer in Scotland; and some parts of it are more particularly calculated for that country, than for England.

1328. ARGUMENTS and DECISIONS in REMARKABLE CASES before the high court of justiciary and other supreme courts in Scotland. Collected by Mr. MACLAURIN. 4to. 1l. 1s. boards. Bell, Edinburgh; Dilly London.

In adding to our historic and legal knowledge, Mr. MacLaurin has not been intimidated by the imperfection of our records, and by the labour that is necessary in consulting them: and the public is not, perhaps, sufficiently apprized of its obligation to an ingenious man. When he submits to a drudgery so painful, to his collection of reports and cases, he has prefixed an introduction, in which he is chiefly studious to illustrate the variations which have taken place in the mode or form of prosecuting crimes; and this portion of his work is doubtless instructive, and deserves commendation for its precision and accuracy. The cases have relation chiefly to great and constitutional points, and to those crimes which the passions of men will at all times most frequently produce. A few cases of mere curiosity are given; and the philosophic reader will regret that there are not more. The papers, in the most important questions, he has exhibited at full length. This practice has followed also, when it was difficult to abridge the information and reasoning of counsel, without detracting from their merit; and, in some occasions, he has acted in this manner, that he might furnish examples of the modes of writing which have prevailed in different periods.

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1329. The MAN of BUSINESS and GENTLEMAN'S ASSISTANT; containing a treatise of practical arithmetic, including vulgar and decimal fractions, in which are inserted many concise and valuable rules for the ready casting up of merchandize, never yet published in this kingdom: book-keeping by single and double entry, the former upon an entire new plan, comprising a modern and approved method of keeping small accounts, debtor and creditor in the waste book only, calculated for the ease and advantage of retail traders; together with an essay on English Grammar, adapted to the use of gentlemen, merchants, traders, and Schools. By W. PERRY, master of the academy at Kelfo. 8vo. 7s. bound. Bell, Edinburgh; Murray, London.

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The author of this performance has some claims, which exalt him beyond the class of his predecessors. He has been able to draw advantage from his experience in teaching; and his book contains a great variety of examples, and an ample collection of tables connected with arithmetic and business. In a country which is destitute of proper elementary books of almost every kind, it has its use and its value. *Edinburgh Rev.*

1330. CON. JULII AGRICOLÆ VITA, SCRIPTORE C. CORNELIO TACITO. *The LIFE of AGRICOLA by TACITUS; with a translation, by J. AIKIN, Warrington.* Bell, Edinburgh.

This volume affords us an accurate edition of the *Agricola*, accompanied with a translation, in which the sense of it is expressed with fidelity and elegance. Mr. Aikin, however, we should conceive, is deficient in the dignity and strength of expression, which are indispensably necessary in rendering any portion of Tacitus. *Edinburgh Rev.*

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1331. PATSALL'S QUINTILIAN. Vide article 445.

Sometimes this translator, possibly, from a regard to singularity, makes innovations in the received forms of our language, leaving out the infinite sign, *to*, after ought, and substituting *only*, for *only*, *one*. Sometimes he is harsh and stiff in his language, 'which they make an embarrassment to themselves of in writing;' and sometimes he does not do justice to his original, so that we can by no means pronounce him to be a good writer, or this to be an elegant or meritorious translation.

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1332. LAMBE'S HISTORY of the BATTLE of FLODDON. Vide article 469.

A variety of circumstances attending this important battle, which are *not so well known*, are here recorded in verse, and farther illustrated by the notes of the editor. Mr. Lambe supposes the author to have been a Yorkshire school-master, and there is probability in the supposition. From the composition, as a history in verse, nothing extraordinary could be expected, though the æra were in its favour. But the old bard seems to have been no stranger to the fire or spirit of the classical epic. The notes which Mr. Lambe, the editor, has annexed to this poem are copious and miscellaneous; in many places both entertaining and instructive. Well skilled in the ancient Anglo-Saxon language, a considerable portion of which remains in use in the north, he is a more competent judge of many obsolete expressions in Shakespeare, than any of his learned southern commentators. In the appendix to these notes there is an old Scotch song on the battle of Floddon, which, for its genuine simplicity, and the truly plaintive spirit of elegy, excels every thing of the kind we have met with.

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1333. POEMS, by the author of the SENTIMENTAL SAILOR. Vide article 769.

This author has no pretensions to the character of a finished writer. Of genius and sensibility he has no contemptible portion, but in taste and judgment he appears to be defective. Yet,

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if these be juvenile productions, they are deficiencies which time will supply.

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1334. POLITICAL DISQUISITIONS, Vol. II. Vide *articles* 235, 253.

The evils enumerated in this and the former volume are such as even illiterate persons, of plain common sense, may easily comprehend; and their inconsistency with our free constitution, their dangerous tendency, &c. are here explained and illustrated in the most ample and satisfactory manner. This volume is divided into three books; the first treats of *places and pensions*, the second is appropriated to a very interesting subject, viz. *Taxing the Colonies*; and the third treats *Of the Army*. Considered merely as a matter of curiosity and entertainment, the book is really valuable, at the same time that it is replete with knowledge and instruction, drawn from the best sources.

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If any of our readers wish to see the advantages of an incorrupt parliament—how unfit placemen and pensioners are for members of the senate, tho' their places and pensions were given according to merit---the insufficiency of places, pensions, bribes, and other arts of corruption---the ridiculousness and futility of the present qualification acts for members---the oppressive, iniquitous measures of ministers of state, respecting the American colonies---the injustice as well as bad policy of taxing them---and the pernicious effects of standing armies, we recommend it to them to read this volume, which will give full satisfaction on each of these interesting events.

London Mag.

1335. SERMONS *by the author of the* ESSAYS on PUBLIC WORKSHIP. Vide *articles* 924, 1315.

These very singular discourses will be read with pleasure, or disapprobation, according to the different prejudices and pre-established opinions of their several readers. They are not composed in the common trite form of sermons, where the preacher labours a doctrinal point, or enforces, with much circumlocution, the plainest christian duties, which he rather clouds than illustrates by his verbosity. We understand that they were really *preached* by the author; who is, or was, a nonconformist minister. We cannot but recommend them to all lovers of free inquiry, and independency of sentiment. They are superior to the generality of sermons, both in point of language and true phi-

philosophical disquisition; but we would caution the *systematic* from meddling with them, if he values his system more than he values TRUTH; for it is very likely, he will find things that will greatly shock his prejudices.

Manly, sensible and philosophical.

Westminster Mag.

1336. ENFIELD *on* LITERARY PROPERTY. Vide *articles* 765, 1128.

This treatise affords a striking proof how much good sense, unadulterated by laboured sophistry, and unclouded by professional jargon, is superior to the studied distinctions, and artful subtleties of the schools. We have here, particularly, in view, that great school of chicanery and tergiversation, the law; whose professions have, with their usual dexterity, perplexed and obscured a question, on which Dr. Enfield has been enabled to throw the clearest light, merely by confining himself to that natural sense of right and wrong. Dr. Enfield fully establishes 'the natural right of authors to their own works; and shows, that, upon the plain and fundamental principles of property in general, the writer of any work has an exclusive property in it, at least as long as he lives; and that no person whatever can have a right to multiply copies of it, or by any other means appropriate to himself any part of the profits arising from it, without the consent of the author.'

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1337. WILSON's *further* OBSERVATIONS *on* LIGHTNING. Vide *article* 1160.

The intention of the author here is to support his former objections against the use of pointed conductors; and particularly to controvert those arguments in favour of them, which are drawn from Mr. Henley's experiments.

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1338. *An* ESSAY *on* PUBLIC HAPPINESS. Vide *article* 790.

The translator, contrary to the usual custom, in advertisements and prefaces, says not a word of his author till he has closed the first volume; but in one of his various notes (which add considerably to the value of this publication) he informs us, that after he had finished the first volume of this translation, a fortunate accident brought him acquainted with the French author, viz. *Mons. le Chevalier de Chatellur*, brigadier of the armies of his Most christian majesty, and late colonel of the regiment of Guienne. He gives a most advantageous character

of this gentleman, chiefly drawn from the information of those whom have long known him. ‘ On his abilities as a writer, says he, his book is a more elegant panegyric than any which I could possibly compose ; and the qualities which he possesses as a soldier, and the virtues which he hath displayed in the more exalted character of a citizen, are as public as his writings. The first volume of his work is divided into two sections ; the first is entitled, *Considerations on the Lot of Human Nature in the earliest Age of Antiquity* ; and contains remarks on the Egyptians, Assyrians, Medes, Greeks, and Romans, and the means of estimating their national happiness. In the second, the ingenious author considers the state of human nature among the moderns. He traces the origin of the feudal government, and the state of the French monarchy under it. He considers the revival of learning in all its political consequences ; and this leads him to some general account of learned men. Some of the chapters contain several important and useful observations on agriculture, population, war, and the national debt.

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1339. SCOTT’S FEMALE ADVOCATE. Vide *articles* 1174, 1219.

This lady has done herself the honour to defend the literary privileges of her sex, and to assert the distinctions which those privileges bring along with them, against those vile usurpers *the men*. Her poem consists chiefly of encomiums on such learned and ingenious ladies as are omitted in Mr. Duncombe’s FEMINEAD, or who have “ started up,” as she expresses it, since the appearance of that poem. She is a warm and able advocate for the sex, but she seems to speak, sometimes, as tho’ her temper had suffered a degree of injury from those afflictions, those ‘ years of ill health,’ of which she feelingly complains ; and as if her regard for *this* world were less than we really think it ought to be.

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1340. *A new ESSAY* (by the Pennsylvanian Farmer) *on the CONSTITUTIONAL POWER of GREAT BRITAIN over the COLONIES in AMERICA, &c.* 8vo. 2s. Almon, Piccadilly.

The pamphlet before us appears to have been written by the celebrated Mr. Dickenson. It consists chiefly of an argumentative part, in support of the instructions of a committee of the province of Pennsylvania to their representatives in assembly, and well deserves an attentive perusal.

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The resolves of the committee for the province of Pennsylvania, and their instructions to their representatives in assembly, are already sufficiently known to the public. With respect to the essay here subjoined, it is an indecisive discussion of the so much agitated question relative to the extent of the authority of the British legislature; in treating of which, the author produces more opinions than arguments, and cites authorities not properly connected with the subject. *Critical Review.*

1341. AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE, *the INTEREST and GLORY of GREAT BRITAIN. In a Series of Letters to the Legislature.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Wilkie, St. Paul's Church-yard.

These letters were separately published a few months since. The writer considers the American colonies as distinct independent states. His arguments are chiefly derived from the spirit of our constitution, and the liberal principles of reason and equity, on which he contends that communities governed by a power in which they have neither controul or participation, are in a state of slavery---That the freedom and happiness of a people supersede every possible claim of government--That mankind have a better right to preserve their liberties than any power can have to abridge them---That the distance of the colonies renders it impossible to govern them by authority of parliament, without subverting the principles of all free governments, and therefore he proposes, that an act of parliament be passed, in which the several colonies shall be all "held and declared to be free independent states, each to be subject to such law and government only as now subsists, or shall be hereafter enacted and constituted within itself by its own proper legislature: and that of each and every of the said independent states, his majesty is and shall be held to be the sovereign head, in like manner as he is of the legislature of Great Britain."—Dean Tucker, from very opposite principles, deduces the same conclusion; and, convinced as he was of a right of supremacy vested in parliament over the colonies, he, after discussing his several proposals, finally concludes the exercise of such right to be impracticable, and that, from considerations of self-interest, it is now incumbent on us to renounce the claim to it. *Monthly Review.*

1342. A SUMMARY VIEW of the RIGHTS of BRITISH AMERICA. *Set forth in some Resolutions intended for the Inspection of the present Delegates of the People of Virginia, now in Convention.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Kearsley, Ludgate Street.

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This summary was intended to convey to the late convention of the delegates of Virginia the sentiments of one of their members, who was prevented from attending by an accidental illness. It affords a concise and spirited review of the rights and grievances of the colonies, deduced from their first settlement, and proposed as the subject of an address to his majesty from the several "*States of British America*." To this pamphlet is prefixed, an address to the king, severely reflecting on the late measures of government, and written with much freedom and boldness, but by whom we are not told.

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An expostulation with his majesty respecting the right of taxing America; a right which the author considers as inherent in the colonies, and not constitutionally pertaining to the British parliament.

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1343. *A LETTER to SIR WILLIAM MEREDITH. Vide article 1221.*

Sir William Meredith's correspondent certainly sucked in his opinion of the Quebec act, at the Cheshire Cheese; the following extract smells strongly of the porter and tobacco:---
'This is a legislature with a vengeance; and yet with all those badges of slavery about it, it will appear free as the winds of heaven, when compared with its finished state; the devil himself not being able to devise more infernal clauses and provisions than are enacted, to render what is called a legislative council the executive engine of whatever diabolical schemes the worst of princes may conceive.' The letter abounds with flowers of the same species of rhetoric; which, when emphatically delivered by this Demosthenes, with his inspiring tube in one hand, while he thumped the other, with due cadence, on the iron bound table, were doubtless answered with bursts of applause!

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1344. *Mr. EDMUND BURKE'S SPEECHES at his Arrival at Bristol, and at the conclusion of the poll. 4to. 6d. Wilkie, St. Paul's Church-yard.*

These popular specimens of election-eloquence, having greatly attracted the notice of the public, in their primitive news-paper appearance, the present editor judged them worthy of the more respectable and more lasting form of a pamphlet.

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The oratorical talents of this gentleman being generally known, it may be sufficient to observe, that these speeches contain the sentiments usual in similar public applications, and also present us with a concise and lively description of the duties of a member of parliament. During the vacation from those important duties, and the fatigue of canvassing, we heartily congratulate this ingenious gentleman, that he now enjoys leisure to indulge repose, which he informs his hearers he had not tasted for several nights preceding his arrival at Bristol. May the balmy power of sleep shed his softest influence on his slumbers.

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1345. *The MINISTRY in the SUDS; or, Jack with his Golden Chain in the Parliament-house. In which is presented to the public the true State of the Case between Mr. Wilkes and the Ministry.* 8vo. 3d. Bew, Paternoster-Row.

The wit and humour of this performance are merely *typical*, i. e. derived from the curious manner in which the pages are printed, one-third of the words are in the Roman character, another third in *Italic*, and the remainder in CAPITALS: an ingenious device, no doubt. But the credit of it may be due, not to this patriotic genius, but to the political writer in the Public Ledger, from whom he seems to have pilfered it.

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The profits of this pamphlet will not afford a brass chain for the writer.

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1346. *SONGS, CHORUSES, &c. in the Dramatic Entertainment of the MAID of the OAKS; as performed at the Theatre-Royal in Drury-Lane.* 8vo. 6d. Becket, Strand.

These will be included in our account of *the Maid of the Oaks*, at large, which is preparing for our next review.

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1347. *JUSTICE; a Poem,* 4to. 1s. 6d. Kearsley, Ludgate-Street.

A flaming invective against the present government. It is inscribed to the late Lord Mayor, and it seems to be city-poetry:

Such stains as SETTLE's self might deign to hear.

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This poem is written in the form of a dialogue between the author and a friend. It seems to be intended as an invective against

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against administration and the dispensers of the laws : but the satire is impotent, and, in our opinion, violates *justice*.

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1348. *A second LETTER from OBEREA, to BANKS.* Vide article 1134.

We, probably, owe this wanton piece to the author of the former letter ; the style and poetical merit being very similar.

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1349. ROWLEY'S LETTER to Dr. HUNTER. Vide articles 1248, 1325.

We have had occasion more than once to review the productions of this writer ; but he was then in an humbler character than that which he now sustains ; it was in that of an enterprising surgeon, advertising a great number of cures in cancerous, venereal, and other cases. We see him now raised into the higher sphere of medicine ; where, however, not being well received by the grandees of the faculty, he challenges one of them to single combat : but we fear he will be discomfited, as his education and training do not seem to have qualified him for making the best use of his weapons.

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1350. VAN SWIETEN'S COMMENTARIES, translated into English. Vols. XV.—XVIII. Vide article 756.

These four volumes complete the English translation of Baron Van Swieten's most valuable work. They comprehend his fifth (and last) volume in quarto. There is also, in the 18th volume, a copious general index to the whole set ; beside an index of diseases, an index of the indications and forms, and an alphabetical list of the numerous authors cited in the course of this work.

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1351. MILLAR'S OBSERVATIONS on ANTIMONY. Vide articles 888, 1002.

In this pamphlet Dr. Millar, takes abundant pains to disabuse the public, with respect to their belief ' of the perfect innocence and superlative efficacy of antimony ; ' which he represents as ' one of the most dangerous delusions of the present age. ' To support and aggravate the charge against this mineral, he accumulates testimonies, ancient and modern, to prove that its ores contain *arsenic*, and sometimes lead ; to which may be added copper, silver, and other heterogeneous, and not very salutary substances. But as nobody swallows the ore of this

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this mineral, he proceeds to shew that even the antimony of the shops may sometimes possibly excite tumults in the stomach, in consequence of the *menstrua* it may meet with there. After the close of a long historical account of the opinions and practices of others, relating to this drug, the author gives us the result of his own experience of it; and after astonishing us with three instances of extraordinary cures performed by it, he astonishes us no less by immediately adding that he has since 'used it in *many thousand* cases, but never, even in slighter diseases, with the same success;—that it generally failed, where milder medicines have proved effectual, and in some instances has been prejudicial.'---We must leave the reader to form his own opinion, from this result of Dr. Millar's experience.

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1352. ANIMADVERSIONS *on* BUTTER, *on the* KINK-COUGH.
Vide *articles* 244, 462.

In the present pamphlet, the animadverter, with some appearance of reason, though not in the most civil manner, disputes or denies the efficacy of Dr. Butter's supposed specific in the kink-cough; and even goes so far as to insinuate that Dr. Butter does not himself 'believe what he has said, in favour of this medicine, to be true.' We shall only further observe with respect to this pamphlet that after freely, and indeed very severely, criticising Dr. Butter's theory of this disease, and his practice in the treatment of it; and after *reviewing* many of the cases published by the doctor, the author subjoins a short essay on the nature and cure of this distemper, which contains some useful observations.

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1353. MORLAND, *on the* CAUSES *of* CHRONIC DISEASES:
The second edition. 1s. Hooper. Vide *article* 867; *vol. i.*

We are in the dark with respect to the *learned* author's principal view in writing this tract; unless it be to recommend to the public the 'occasional use' of a certain '*universal purgative*' invented by him: which 'when properly dosed, and properly administered, has been found, in a long and extensive experience, to produce very salutary effects, even in persons of the most opposite natural habits and constitutions.' It is composed, we are told, 'of near a *dozen* of the most powerful known deobstruents, besides two mineral preparations of the author's own discovery, which two alone, united, have been found to perform, in fact, what that indefatigable physician,

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the late Dr. Huxham, peculiarly ascribes to his favourite tincture, &c.' *Monthly Review.*

1354. WILSON, *on the MOVING POWERS of the BLOOD.* Vide articles 380, 1003.

In this essay, the author undertakes to divest the heart of the function attributed to it, of being the principal moving power in the animal system. Those who take pleasure in physiological inquiries, will receive entertainment and information from this little pamphlet, in which there is much ingenuity, not without some share of seeming paradox. *Monthly Review.*

1355. *The PRACTICE of the BRITISH and FRENCH HOSPITALS, &c.* Vide article 1112 ; vol. ii.

It will be sufficient with regard to this compilation to observe, that it contains the prescriptions of the Edinburgh infirmary, those of the military and naval hospitals, of the *Hôtel Dieu*, *La Charité*, and the royal hospital of invalids at Paris, together with Boerhaave's *Materia Medica.* *Monthly Review.*

1356. PRINGLE, *on the different kinds of air.* Vide articles 111, 175.

Containing a familiar and well written account of some of Dr. Priestley's principal experiments ; preceded by an historical detail of the progress that had already been made in this branch of knowledge by others : the whole well adapted to convey a general idea of the nature and importance of Dr. Priestley's discoveries. *Monthly Review.*

1357. *The VIZIRS.* Vide articles 941, 1146.

Mademoiselle de Vacluse is a genius, and would certainly succeed in novel-writing, if following nature, and copying the living manners of those nations with which she has been personally conversant, she could totally divest herself of the oriental ideas which she has collected from D'Herbelot, and from the imitators of eastern sublimity. This work, however, contains some excellent lessons for the restraint and government of the passions : and though we admire not so inflated a style, we must do justice to the abilities of the writer : expressing, at the same time, our surprise at the ease and fluency of her language,---this being, as she declares, her first attempt to write in our tongue. It is really extraordinary to see so few imperfections in her English : so very few, indeed, that were it not for

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for the lady's name, and the declaration above quoted, we should hardly have suspected her to be a foreigner.

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1358. THEOPHRASTUS'S HISTORY of STONES. By HILL.
Vide article 1067.

The learned world in general and particularly those who have carried their inquiries into this part of the history of nature, have been long sensible of their obligations to the editor and translator of this tract of Theophrastus. No ancient writer ever received more elucidation, or was more happily restored; and no one ever wanted it so much. Nor was this to be wondered at. He wrote in a department of science known to few (for mineralogy was but little cultivated) and, of course, his transcribers, not understanding his matter, fell easily into blunders. How well these have been rectified we are not now to tell the world. This second edition is rendered still more accurate; and it is more commodious, as it has an index to the Greek. The observations on the Sweedish acid are new and curious; and as this acid maintains a character distinct from both the vitriolic and the muriatic acids, is found to be capable of dissolving glass, and subliming, in distillation, an absolute stone, qualities unknown to other acids, it is easy to see that the knowledge of this subject may lead us to a thousand undiscovered truths in mineral history; for the qualities and uses of the pure acid may be infinite.

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1359. URY'S ABI MOHAMMED ALCASIM, Vide article 903.

This is an oration in praise of Bassora, by the celebrated Hariri, the prince of Arabian eloquence. It is a loose, trite, trifling declamation. If the literary treasures of the East were all like this specimen, they would scarce be worth our researches!

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1360. *The PRINCIPAL CORRECTIONS in the HISTORY of MANCHESTER.* Book I. Vide article 1250.

Mr. Whitaker's applauded researches into the ancient history and antiquities of his native country, having received numerous and great improvements, in the second edition, in 2 vols. 8vo. he has, very honourably, printed the additions, &c. in this separate form, for the convenience of those who, having purchased the first edition in 4to. may chuse to bind it up with these supplemental pages; which amount to no fewer than 190. We shall be glad to see this excellent work completed,

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according to the plan of the learned and ingenious author: who proposes to bring it down to a modern æra.

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1361. JEBB'S PROPOSAL *for academical examinations.* Vide *article 1071.*

The subject of this pamphlet has been well known and agitated; and we believe there are few, who have the real interest of learning at heart, that are not sorry to find so salutary a plan over-ruled, either by distinctions of interest, or by any other selfish or invidious motive.

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1362. ASHMORE'S ANALYSIS *of the SEVERAL BANK ANNUITIES.* Vide *article 918.*

The title sufficiently indicates the nature of this performance: it will be found an instructive and useful companion to those who wish to know when and how the several funds were first established, what changes they have since undergone, and what sum is their separate or their whole amount.

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1363. SALOMON'S EXPEDITIOUS ACCOUNTANT. Vide *article 782.*

This compendium of arithmetic, so handsomely recommended by the author himself, contains several new operations, some of which are more tedious, and others more expeditious, than those in common use: but it is chiefly valuable, as it supplies a great variety of questions and examples to exercise the learner.

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1364. CABBAGE and CLOVER HUSBANDRY. Vide *article 501.*

The feeds here recommended, we are informed at the end of the pamphlet, are 'to be had of a person attending at Gregg's coffee-house---for ready money only.' The whole has so much the complexion of an advertisement for the benefit of this person in the first instance, that the advantage of these articles to the agriculture of Great-Britain and Ireland must be left for the experience of his purchasers to determine.

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1365. ANTINARKIA. Vide *articles 489, 1142.*

The amount of one part of this author's reasoning seems to be, that because Christians receive from Christ a spiritual liberty, therefore they ought not be very anxious about their civil

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civil liberty, or that which is generally called religious. Dr. Priestley and Dr. Blackburne find him much employment; he is equally earnest in exploding some principles which they have advanced, and in endeavouring to establish his own, which are favourable to the Church of England, and would be favourable to popery.
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1366. HINTS *from a MINISTER to his CURATE.* Vide article 1076.

This useful little tract is animated by a spirit of vital, but rational religion. The advice it contains is sober and sensible; well adapted to promote the best interests of christianity; and to institute a successful plan of conduct for its immediate ministers. It is ascribed to the pious and worthy Dr. Stonehouse of Bristol.
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1367. RUSSEN'S SERMON. Vide article 1254.

The *double dealing* with which Mr. R. charges the doctor, will be universally censured; unless the charge be obviated.
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1369. *The CHRISTIAN'S TRIUMPH over DEATH and the GRAVE, a SERMON occasioned by the decease of Mrs. Mary Beatson. Preached in Hull, July 10, 1774. By JAMES HARTLEY.* 6d. Rivington, St. Paul's Church-yard.

1371. *A SERMON on the death of Mrs. S. Johnson. Preached at Islington, September 18, 1774. With the oration at the interment. By NATHANIEL JENNINGS.* 8vo. 6d. Buckland. Paternoster-row.

1372. *ABILITIES for the MINISTRY of the GOSPEL from GOD alone.—On 2 Cor. iii. 6. delivered to the Baptist Congregation Meeting in Bath. By ROBERT PARSONS.* 8vo. 6d. Bath printed.

The *Monthly Review* is silent on the above.

1373. LAUGHTON'S HISTORY of ANCIENT EGYPT. Vide articles 649, 1177.

The singularity of many of the political institutions among the ancient Egyptians renders the history of that people particularly interesting to every reader, who would trace the progress of the human mind in the science of government. Our author introduces his history with a geographical description of ancient Egypt, after which he delivers an account of the
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state of arts, sciences, religion, laws, government, manners, and customs, in the reign of Amosis, about 1724 years before the Christian æra. From the death of Sesostris, the author prosecutes his narrative, through frequent intervening chasms, to the period of his history; delivering likewise an account of the remaining monuments of Egyptian magnificence, copied from the writings of the most authentic travellers. Among other subjects, he endeavours to ascertain the country anciently known by the name of Ophir, and produces very plausible arguments for determining it to be Sofala, a country situated on the eastern coast of Lower Ethiopia. To this history is added a recapitulatory dissertation, in which the author makes several judicious remarks on the civil polity of the ancient Egyptians. On the whole, Dr. Laughton has collected, and properly arranged the various detached anecdotes of Egyptian history, which are to be found in ancient writers, and the work may be considered as containing the fullest account that can be obtained of the subject.

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The matters of fact contained in this publication, are not related sufficiently in detail to be instructive; and the author attempts not to reason, and employs not the information he conveys to any philosophical purpose. He illustrates not the business, the arts, the modes of writing of an early age. He appears, however, to have considerable stores of learning. But it is the fate often of men of the greatest erudition, to be incapable of making the best use of it.

Edinburgh Mag.

1374. MAC MAHON, *on the DEPRAVITY and CORRUPTION of HUMAN NATURE*. Vide article 789.

The design of this writer in the present essay, is to represent to us the utter depravity of human nature. We will charitably presume, he has not exhibited a picture of his own heart, when he gives us this diabolical account of man: 'had he power, he would soon *destroy* every creature he had any connection with. His acquaintance, wife, and children, would probably fall the first victims to his rage.'—A picture, which can only suit the malignant disposition of a demon, and the pencil of Beelzebub.

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1375. BEATTIE'S *Minstrel*. Book II. Vide articles 636, 1179.

The first hint of this performance was suggested by Dr. Percy's Essay on the English Minstrels, prefixed to the first volume of Reliques of ancient English Poetry, published in the year 1765. The author's design is to trace the progress of a poetical genius, born in a rude and illiterate age, from the first dawn.

dawnings of fancy and reason, till that period, at which he may be supposed capable of supporting the character of a *minstrel*; that is, of an itinerant poet and musician: a character, which, according to the notions of our forefathers, was not only respectable, but sacred. The pursuits and amusements of the minstrel's childhood and early youth are described in the first book: the incidents, which determine him to enter upon his profession are related in the second. There is a variety of fine romantic scenery, and pleasing description in this performance.

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In this book, our philosophical bard "smites the Gothic lyre" (as he terms it) "with a harsher hand," conducting his pupil from the "flowery path of childhood", "the sunny realms of joy," to the shades of life, "to many a sound and sight of woe."

Gentleman's Mag.

1376. WILTON'S REVIEW of SOME of the ARTICLES of the CHURCH of ENGLAND. Vide articles 479, 677.

Our author endeavours here to investigate the genuine sense of some of the articles, and to point out several objections, which affect protestant dissenters of every denomination. The remaining part of this performance consists of observations on Mr. Madan's Scriptural Comment upon the Thirty-nine Articles, on the expulsion of the Methodistical Students at Oxford, (which he calls an irreligious and immoral determination); on the proper method of defending the faith, and other points of that nature. It is written with temper, accuracy, and learning.

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1377. GOLDSMITH'S GRECIAN HISTORY. Vide article 911.

The author of this work has preserved a proper medium between prolixity and conciseness; but he has too closely followed Stanyan's History, which he seems to have had constantly in his eye. The most material difference between the two works is, that the latter commences with the fabulous ages, and ends at the death of Philip of Macedon; the former begins at a later period, and is continued to the death of Alexander.—With respect to this history, we cannot avoid observing, that it betrays evident marks of hasty production, though it must be admitted to comprise a faithful and distinct account of transactions, and to be written with no inconsiderable degree of perspicuity.

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1378. PERRY'S MAN of BUSINESS and GENTLEMAN'S ASSISTANT. Vide article 1329.

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The title of this work sufficiently declares the three great articles of which it consists: of these, in our opinion, the first part, viz. that on Common Arithmetic, is much the worst. In it are many things, both among the definitions, rules, and examples, of which we disapprove. Of this part it may also be just remarked, that the reader must not here think to meet with all the rules of arithmetic, which he might be apt to expect from the title; for Mr. Perry has omitted all those parts which he supposed not immediately used in merchants accounts, to which business entirely he seems to have adapted his book; such as the rules of Alligation, Involution of Powers, Extraction of Roots, Arithmetical and Geometrical Progression, Single and Double Position, &c. In the other two parts, Book-keeping and English Grammar, we think our author has acquitted himself better. In book-keeping by single entry, in particular, he has taken much pains to elucidate his subject by various examples, from the first writing of the letters of orders for the goods, to the disposing of them again, and the closing of the books. The other two compendiums of double-entry book-keeping, and English grammar are also clearly and concisely laid down, and may have their uses.

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1379. BAYLY'S ENGLISH and HEBREW BIBLE, *with remarks.*
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Dr. Bayly is the first, who has presented the public with an edition of the Old Testament, in this commodious form; it contains the original, printed on a good type, with points; but without the Masoretic accents; the English version, with some corrections of errors in the text, and the punctuation; with critical and grammatical notes, relative to mistranslations, obsolete and vulgar expressions, the chronological order of events, and particularly the connection and use of the parenthesis. At the end is a summary view or character of every sacred book, which the author thinks may be named an epilogue; answering to what Tyndal prefixes to the five books of Moses, and calls a prologue. When we consider the nature, extent, and utility of the present work, we cordially join with the author when he says: 'If the reader learned *and* [or] unlearned, would but imagine the pains, expedition, and expence, that have been taken for his use in this edition of the Old Testament, he would readily befriend and admire it.'

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1380. *The SPIRIT and UNION of the NATURAL, MORAL, and DIVINE LAW. Vol. 1.* Vide article 1074.

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F O R D E C E M B E R.

This volume is divided into twelve lectures, or dialogues between a tutor and his pupil. The author's design is to ascertain the sense of some important terms, relative to the conduct of social life, by precise definitions; and to rectify the mistaken notions of certain philosophical or moral writers, by pointing out a medium between their opposite hypotheses. Our author's sentiments on ideas; his definitions of virtue, good and bad, truth and falsehood, arts and sciences, power and conscience, are profound, and merit the consideration of the philosophical reader: though we cannot venture to promise that he will find this work an entertaining composition.

Critical Review.

1381. GREAT BRITAIN'S RIGHT to TAX *her* COLONIES. *Placed in the clearest light. By a Swiss. 8vo. 1s. Davenport, Cornhill.*

Whereas the author of this pamphlet be really a Swiss, or it is only ascribed to a native of that country, as being a lover of public liberty, we shall leave undetermined. Admitting him to be such, we find nothing in the honest Helvetian's arguments which places the subject in a clearer light than before. Suffice it to say, that he is an advocate for the independency of America with respect to taxation.

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1382. *A very short and candid APPEAL to Free-born BRITONS. By an American. 8vo. 6d. Axtell, Royal-Exchange.*

On the important subject of the taxation of America, the advocates for that country have used every argument which can either influence the judgment, or interest the public sympathy in their favour. The design of this appeal is to procure an acknowledgement of the independency of America in point of taxation, upon the principle of the people in that country being entitled to all the privileges of British subjects, one of the most valuable of which is, that of being taxed only with the consent of their representatives

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1383. PIECES. [*First printed in the Public Advertiser;*]—*Sketch of the present reign in form of question and answer;—A fragment of oriental history:—Portrait of a modern orator;—Character of the late Lord Bolingbroke. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Kearsey, Fleet-street.*

Newspaper essays may afford temporary amusement, but are seldom such as merit the being preserved in literary collections.

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Written for the most part on political subjects, they are intended rather to answer the private views of parties, than coolly to inform the judgment of the public. The pieces now before us have no claim to be exempted from this censure, for they bear too evident marks of prejudice to be relished by disinterested readers.

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1384. BRITANNIA. *A Poem. In two parts. By an Eton Scholar.* 4to. 1s. Harris, St. Paul's Church-yard.

The title of Brittannia has, of late years, been so often affixed to poetical productions of a plaintive and ominous strain, that we are glad to see it become again the subject of more joyful and auspicious lays; and it affords us particular pleasure to find the love of our country, and a taste for poetry, so successfully cultivated in one of our most distinguished seminaries of learning. In this poem we behold the presages of patriotism and genius, which may hereafter render the author more conspicuous.

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1385. *The MAID of the OAKS. A new dramatic entertainment. As it is performed at the Theatre-Royal, in Drury-Lane.* 8vo. 1s. 6d. Becket, Strand.

This piece is well contrived for affording a theatrical representation of a Fete Champêtre; and the author has greatly heightened the entertainment by contrasting the manners of the *beau monde*; with the innocence and simplicity of rural life. The characters in general are agreeable, either from the naïveté with which some of them are drawn, or the address with which the affectation is supported in others. The songs are likewise properly enough adapted to the occasion; and the whole is such a production as will give pleasure to the audience.

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1386. SOUTHERNE'S PLAYS. *Vide article 1066.*

Mr. Southerne has ever been regarded as an eminent dramatic writer, and it may justly be reckoned surprising that his works were not collected together before this time. His comedies, though tainted with that licentiousness which was the taste of the age in which he flourished, abound with genuine wit and humour; and with respect to the power of exciting the tender emotions in tragedy, he is not inferior to any poet. It must, therefore afford pleasure to every lover of the drama to be

be furnished with a complete edition of the productions of this celebrated author; to which the editor has prefixed an account of Mr. Southerne's life and writings, industriously collected, and related with great perspicuity. *Critical Review.*

1387. *The FATAL EFFECTS of INCONSTANCY.* Vide *articles* 1161, 1191.

It would be doing the author of this work injustice not to acknowledge his talent for painting the manners of polite life to a great degree of exactness: yet we cannot commend his performance. The gallantries of the beau monde of France are so delineated, as to make such descriptions improper for young minds. The marchioness de Syrcé, who is married, and the count de Mirbelle, her lover, are, indeed, at last, brought to repent of their guilty connection; but the subtle poison conveyed into the minds of many readers will not be easily expelled, while the gay life of several actors in this work is drawn in such a seducing manner. *Critical Review.*

1388. *Three LETTERS written by RICHARD HILL, Esq. to the reverend J. Fletcher, Vicar of Madely, in the year 1773.* 8vo. 6d. Dilly, Poultry.

By these letters it appears, that Mr. Hill declined any farther controversy with Mr. Fletcher, not out of any design of renouncing his own sentiments, or embracing those of Mr. Wesley; but out of a desire of promoting mutual harmony and friendship, upon an information, that his opponent intended to publish nothing more upon the subject.—In this pamphlet the author avows his former opinions, and throws out some sarcastic reflections on the writings of Mr. Fletcher, and the creed of the Arminians and Perfectionists.

Tantæne animis cœlestibus iræ!

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1389. *The DIVINITY of CHRIST and his ATONEMENT, the only FOUNDATION of the CHRISTIAN'S HOPE and PLEA at the THRONE of GRACE. Being a Reply to his Answers, intitled, Scripture Sufficiency, &c. By J. W.* 8vo. 6d. Keith, Gracechurch-Street.

Mr. Weir, in the year 1773, addressed a letter to the reverend Mr. Elliott; which was answered by that gentleman, in

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a pamphlet intitled, *Scripture Sufficiency, &c.* In the present tract, the author endeavours to refute the the heretical opinions, or the Arianism and Sabellianism, maintained by Mr. Elliot in that, and some of his other late publications. Mr. Weir is a pious and serious writer, zealous for what he styles, 'the Christ-exalting and soul-saving truths of the gospel.'

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1390. *A LASH at ENTHUSIASM: in a Dialogue founded upon real Facts. Between Mrs. Clinker, and Miss Martha Steady.* 8vo. 6d. Dilly, Poultry.

A curious tête-à-tête on the subject of religion, in which, however, the lady that holds the lash, is far from having the advantage over her opponent, who is not represented so enthusiastic as to be an object of ridicule.

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1391. *RICCALTOUN'S WORKS.* Vide articles 336, 845.

With respect to his religious notions, the minister of Hobkirk appears to have been a Trinitarian, and in some points a Calvinist, but no bigot. His writings are rather heavy; but the general mass is now and then irradiated with sparks of genius and good sense.

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1392. *HERRIES'S SERMON on SUICIDE,* Vide article 913.

In this address, the author considers the character and disposition of those, who are guilty of suicide; and endeavours to shew, that they suppress the very feelings of instinct, which impel us to self-preservation; that they discover a weakness and timidity of mind, in not supporting the calamities of life; that they have no ambition of excelling, or desire of improvement; that they are destitute of benevolence to society, and of a concern for its happiness; that they are ungrateful to their Maker, in thus destroying his gift of life; that they are negligent of the duty assigned them; that they distrust Providence, and repine at his disposals; that they assume the prerogative of Him, who is the author and judge of the universe; and, lastly, that they are destitute of a becoming dread and reverence of a future state; and that, provided they do not believe in an hereafter, they act inconsistently with their own principles, and contrary to the impulse of their best feelings.

ings. In the next place, he endeavours to obviate those fallacious arguments, which are apt to rise in a disordered mind, and are usually urged as apologies for suicide ; that is, the arguments deduced from pain, poverty, reproach, remorse, disappointment, loss of friends, &c. He then considers the crimes, which are similar in their nature to suicide ; the different species of murder ; duelling, intemperance, drunkenness, debauchery, wilfully endangering life, and the fatal effects of melancholy and despair. He addresses the self-murderer as a son, a husband, a father, a brother, a friend, a member of society, a subject, a patriot, a christian, and an infidel, and demonstrates the enormity of self-murder in every situation of life. On these topics he expatiates in a very animated and oratorical style.

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1393. *A TREATISE on the EXTENT of the DEATH of CHRIST. Being an Abridgement of Dr. Owen's Death of Death in the Death of Christ. With a Recommendatory Preface by the Rev. Charles de Coetlogon. A. M. 8vo. 1s. Mathews, Strand.*

Dr. John Owen, one of whose pieces is now before us, was an Oliverian divine, first of Queen's College, Oxford ; and afterwards, about the year 1651, dean of Christ-church. In 1659, he was removed from his deanery ; and after the restoration, preached in a meeting-house in London, till his death. He was one of the greatest men among the dissenters, and a voluminous author. The tract, which is now abridged, and published by Mr. De Coetlogon, is in favour of *absolute election*, and *particular redemption*, solely adapted to the taste of our modern Calvinists at the Lock, the Tabernacle, and other seminaries of theological absurdities.

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1394. SULLIVAN'S *Select FABLES from GULISTAN.* Vide article 906.

We find no extraordinary marks of genius in the composition of these fables. The style is simple, and very well suited to convey moral precepts ; but the sentiments are seldom very striking, and it may even be added, that they are frequently trifling. These compositions may be exceedingly suitable to the taste of the people for whose use they were written, and be highly in esteem amongst them ; but should the prepossession of their excellence not contribute to support their character here,

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we are confident they will not rank high in the public opinion.
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1395. MEMOIRS of the CARDINAL DE RETZ. *Containing the Particulars of his own Life, with the most secret Transactions of the French Court and Civil Wars. Translated from the French. 4 vols. 12mo. 12s. Becket, Strand.*

No species of writing is either more instructive or entertaining than genuine memoirs of those persons who have been much engaged in public transactions. Those of Cardinal de Retz are justly admitted to the first rank in this class of historical compositions. That our own opinion may be confirmed by a great authority, we shall subjoin the sentiments of Lord Chesterfield. 'The best memoirs that I know of, are those of Cardinal de Retz.—I hardly know any book so necessary for a young man to read and remember; you will there find how great business is really carried on, very differently from what people who have never been concerned in it imagine. In short, you will, in every page of that book, see that strange inconsistent creature, Man, just as he is.'

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1396. IVES on the GARIANONUM of the ROMANS. *Vide articles 912, 1276.*

An unusual spirit has lately prevailed of ascertaining the identity of places mentioned in the *Notitia Imperij*, for which purpose the several authors endeavour to establish their opinions both by argument and plausible conjecture. Mr. Ives, the antiquary with whom we are now engaged, is not defective in either of these methods of investigation, and we must acknowledge we think he has evinced with a great degree of probability, that the Garianonum of the Romans is Burgh Castle, situated on the south side of the mouth of the Yare. He supposes it to have been built by the soldiers of Ostorius in the time of the emperor Claudius.

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Mr. Ives seems to have pretty well settled the site of Garianonum and agrees with Camden that this ancient Roman structure was at Burgh-Castle in Suffolk, and not as others have contended, at Caister, near Yarmouth in Norfolk. Antiquarians will be pleased with these remarks.

London Mag.

Will afford real pleasure to an antiquarian.

Westm. Mag.

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1397. *A TREATISE on MATRIMONY ; or an Address to both Sexes ; of all Ages.* By W. TAPLIN. 8vo. 1s. 6d. Davies, Ruffel-Street, Covent-Garden.

This writer endeavours to investigate the causes, and expose the folly of domestic quarrels between husbands and wives. He points out their respective duties, and the qualifications necessary to ensure life and of connubial happiness. He makes some remarks on the absurd partiality of parents towards their children, and exhibits a specimen of a literary correspondence, carried on by people, who value themselves on their gentility and politeness. Mr. Taplin is a writer, who skims over his subject with great volatility, and occasionally throws out some smart observations.

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1398. *A VINDICATION of the FORCEPS, DESCRIBED and recommended by Dr. LEAKE ; in which the injudicious and illiberal Remarks on that Subject, signed Thomas Denham, are examined and refuted.* By a late Pupil of Dr. Leake's. 4to. 1s. Hinton, Paternoster-Row.

The improvement made by Dr. Leake on the Forceps, is evidently so advantageous in obstetrical practice, that we are surprised to find its utility now called in question. The objections against it, however, are sufficiently refuted in this Vindication.

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1399. *The SENTIMENTAL EXHIBITION.* Vide articles 933, 1277.

Dulce est desipere in loco, would have been no improper motto for this satyrical exhibition of modern manners, this farrago of descriptions and remarks, some humorous, and some (saving the author's resentment) but one degree remote from nonsense. Several of the sections are, it must be confessed, very grave, consisting of lessons for good behaviour in so sober a style, that we are apprehensive it was owing to their soporific power, that we fell asleep during the perusal of them.

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1400. *The NECESSITY of LIMITING the POWER of the PRACTITIONERS in the several COURTS of JUSTICE ; and of making effectual the Law for Taxing the Bills of Attorneys and Solicitors : In a Letter to Alexander Wedderburn, Esq. his Majesty's Solicitor-General.* 4to. 6d. Bew, Paternoster-Row.

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